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PREFACE

The Guide to the County Archives of Indiana, of which this volume for Posey County constitutes a part, was prepared for the primary purpose of furnishing officials, students of history, and the citizens of the community with a convenient tool for their use in consulting the county records. It is also hoped the information contained in these volumes will encourage the public in general to take a greater interest in better measures. It is hoped the information presented herein concerning the present housing and care of records and accommodations for persons, who may wish to consult them, will prove to have value for officials, and the general citizenry. 1422023

The inventory of records was made during the period May 27 to June 30, 1936, under supervision of S. J. Hagan, State Director; Fred Wolfe, District Supervisor; and Luther Ellinghooffer, District Research Writer. The field workers were Alma J. Glenn, Duain Howcomb, Sylvester Tumburn, and Carolyn Walker, all of Evansville. Cooperation was given by the county and Works Progress Administration officials to make this survey successful. Field workers re-arranged records for proper order in the Auditor's and Treasurer's offices and in the storeroom of the courthouse.

It is the intention of the editors to present a complete, concise picture of the records in bibliographical form. The inventory is preceded with a number of introductory sections to enlighten the reader concerning facts forming the basis for the records. The entries of the inventory are carried in consecutive numbering for the entire county, while the departments are arranged alphabetically. Where it is applicable natural groupings under a subject heading are made within the office. A cross reference index following the inventory is intended to help the reader locate records with the least effort.

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HISTORY

Posey County, located in the extreme southwestern corner or "rocket" of the State, is bounded on the north by Gibson County, on the east by Vanderburgh County, on the south by the Ohio River, which separates it from the State of Kentucky, and on the west by the Wabash River, which separates it from the State of Illinois. It has an area of 408 Square miles.

The territory within the present confines of Posey County was at one time occupied--and was all the State--by several tribes of Indians who were organized into the Miami Confederacy. This primitive organization, which dates back to the early years of the seventeenth century, was formed for the defense of the lands over which the tribes claimed ownership against the encroachments of the Five Nations, or Iroquoian Confederacy. The Miami Confederacy was made up of several of the central Algonquin tribes, of which in Indiana the Twightwees, Weas, Piankeshaw, and Shoshone were the most powerful. One of their principal settlements in the State was along the Wabash River, which marks the western boundary of the county. By the time the first white settlers came to Posey County the tribes were weakened by defeats in war and demoralized by the white man's whiskey, which had been brought in by the fur traders.

The first white man to settle in Posey County was Thomas Jones, an Irishman, who built a cabin near the mouth of the Wabash River in what is now Point Township sometime before 1800. He was followed by a man named Corbally, also an Irishman, who lived in the southwestern portion of the township. Among those who came a little later were Samuel Black, Nathaniel Miller, the Robinson family, William and Isaac James, George H. H. H., and a

man named Reach. Reach also settled at the mouth of the Wabash River and his place was for years the landing and trading point for all the flat-boat business transacted at the mouth of the Wabash. In 1800 William Breadhead entered the first land in the county.

Black Township was named in honor of the Black family--Thomas Black and his four sons, James, William, Thomas, and John--who came from North Carolina to what is now Black Township and settled a short distance northwest of the present site of Mount Vernon. This family has been prominent in the affairs of Black Township and Posey County since 1800. Adam Albright and his three sons--John, William, and Adam--came to the county in 1807 from North Carolina, and located in what came to ^{be} known as the Albright Settlement. In 1810 still another large family from North Carolina settled in the township--John Aldridge, who was a blacksmith and his six sons: Samuel, Elijah, Reuben, Henry, William, and Aaron.

It was not until June, 1814, that the settlement of Posey County began on a large scale with the arrival of the Rappites--the first of two groups to come to southern Indiana to establish "communities of equality". This group, led by George Rapp of Wurttemberg, Germany, came to the United States to escape religious persecution, and settled in Harmony, Pennsylvania, about 25 miles from Pittsburgh. After several years the Pennsylvania town-site became unsatisfactory and Rapp and his associates purchased some 30,000 acres of land, most of which lay in Posey County, 70 miles north of the mouth of the Wabash River. Here on the east bank of the river the town of Harmonic was laid out and built. In the fall of 1817 about 100 more Rappites--immigrants from Wurttemberg--came to the United States and settled in the new town.

In 1824 an advertisement offering the town of Harmonic for sale came to the attention of Robert Owen, a manufacturer and philanthropist of New Lanark,

Scotland. He visited the town in January, 1825; and purchased the land, buildings, and all equipment for \$190,000 cash. The town was renamed New Harmony and was thrown open to all who were interested in Owen's experiment in communal living. Representatives of practically every State in Union and almost every country of western Europe could be found among the town's population. By Christmas, 1825, there were about 1,000 people living in New Harmony.

Posey County--the twelfth in the State to be created--was formed out of the Warrick County on September 7, 1814, by an act of the Territorial Legislature which became effective November 1. The boundaries were described in the act as: "Beginning on the Ohio river, where the range line passing between the tenth and eleventh range strikes or intersects the said Ohio river, north with the said range line passing between the said tenth and eleventh ranges, to its intersection with the line dividing the counties of Gibson and Warrick; thence west with the said line dividing the said counties of Gibson and Warrick to the western bank of the Wabash river; thence down the western bank of the Wabash river with the line of the Illinois Territory to its junction with the Ohio river; thence up the Ohio river with the meanders thereof to the beginning." (Acts of Indiana Territory, 1814, pp. 18-19).

On December 18, 1815, a small strip of land in Gibson County was attached to Posey: "Beginning on the township line dividing townships four and five, where the line dividing ranges thirteen and fourteen crosses said township line; thence with said range line north till it strikes the Wabash river; thence with the meanders of said river to a point, where the township line aforesaid, strikes said river; thence eastwardly with said township line to the place of beginning, shall be, and the same is hereby separated or taken from the county of Gibson, and added or attached to...Posey county; and the said part of the

present county of Gibson so separated and attached, shall in law and in fact, at all times thereafter, be to all intents and purposes, held, deemed and taken, as part of the said county of Posey." (Acts of Indiana Territory, 1815, pp. 7-8).

A second tract of land of considerable size was detached from Gibson County and added to Posey in January 1, 1817. The statute provides that: "From and after the first day of February next, all that part of the county of Gibson included within the following bounds be attached to and form a part of Posey county, to wit: beginning at the northeast corner of Posey county, running thence north with the line dividing ranges ten and eleven, six miles to the line dividing townships, three and four south; thence west with said line dividing said townships to the Wabash river; thence down said river with the meanders thereof, to where the present line of Posey county strikes said river." (Laws of Indiana, 1816-17, pp. 262-3).

When Vanderburgh County was formed on January 7, 1818, Posey lost approximately 20% of its area. "All that part of Posey County east and south of a line "Beginning on the Ohio river where the range line dividing ranges eleven and twelve west, strikes the same, thence north with said range line to the centre of township four, south of Buckingham's base line, thence east" to the range line dividing ranges 10 and 11 west of the second principal meridian was transferred to Vanderburgh County. (Laws of Indiana, 1817-18, (special), p. 22).

A small strip of Posey was attached to Gibson on December 31, 1821. The act provided "that all that part of the county of Posey that lies in township four south of Buckingham's base line, in range eleven west be separated from said county of Posey and attached to the county of Gibson." (Laws of Indiana, 1821-22, p. 129).

The boundaries of Posey were altered for the last time on January 6, 1836, when a strip of Gibson was attached to Posey. The act provided that "all that part of the county of Gibson, which is included within the following bounds, be and the same is hereby attached to, and shall form a part of the county of Posey, to wit: beginning on the line dividing the said counties of Gibson and Posey, where the line dividing ranges twelve and thirteen, crosses the said county line; thence north to the section line, one mile north of the line dividing the counties aforesaid; thence west with the section line, to the middle of the Wabash river; thence down the middle of the Wabash river, to the line dividing the Counties of Gibson and Posey; thence east along said line dividing Gibson and Posey, to the place of beginning." (Laws of Indiana, 1832-33, p. 118).

The first county board of Posey County which corresponded to the present County Commissioners was called a Court of Claims, and was composed of Isaac Blackford, Thomas H. Casselberry, and Daniel Lynn. The first session of this court was held in the cabin of Abner Duclworth, about five miles north of the present site of Mount Vernon on January 6, 1818. William H. Stewart was appointed Clerk and Recorder, and John Carson was appointed Sheriff, John Talbert and Samuel Jones were recommended for the offices of Attorney and Coroner.

The court also received the report of the commissioners appointed to locate the county seat. The site selected was in Mares Township, about one mile north of Coburn Station. The County Agent, Samuel R. Mares, was instructed to lay out a town site, which was named Blackford, and to offer the lots for sale.

Under the State Constitution, which went into effect in 1816 when Indiana was admitted into the Union, the county business was conducted by the Board of Commissioners. The first to fill this office were Daniel R. Mares, Thomas Robb, and Abner Coats.

The residents of Posey County soon became dissatisfied with the location of the county seat at Blackford. The town was not centrally situated in the county, and on January 1, 1817, the Legislature provided for the appointment of a relocation committee. On May 24, 1817 the commissioners approved the site and plan for a new town and named it Springfield.

However, the residents of county were still dissatisfied. The new seat of justice was centrally located, but lacked the necessary natural advantages to become a flourishing town. The movement to make Mount Vernon, then known as McPadden's Bluff, the county seat grew, until on February 12, 1825, the Legislature passed another act appointing commissioners to relocate the county seat. At a meeting of the county board held on May 10, 1825, the county officers were ordered to move their offices to Mount Vernon.

The first session of the circuit court began March 20, 1815, and was held at the cabin of Abigail Luskurth. Isaac Blackford was presiding judge, and Thomas E. Casselberry and Daniel Iyem were associate judges.

The first courthouse was built soon after the county was organized, and like most of the early public buildings, was a log cabin. When the county seat was removed to Springfield a similar building was erected. A little later a two story brick building forty feet square was constructed to house the county offices and courts. This was probably the only brick courthouse in southern Indiana at this time. A courthouse was financed and built in Mount Vernon by contributions from leading citizens after the county seat was established in that town.

The present courthouse was completed in 1876. It is built of Bedford limestone, and is surmounted by a high dome. The architectural style of the building, which is 108 x 73 feet in size, is Romanesque.

There are ten townships in Posey County: Bethel, Black, Center, Harmony, Lynn, Morris, Point, Robb, Robinson, and Smith. The incorporated cities and towns are Griffin, Mount Vernon, New Harmony, Poseyville, and Cyrenthiana. The county was named in honor of Thomas Posey, the Governor of Indiana Territory at the time the county was created.

GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND FINANCIAL STATUS

The county serves as a unit for the maintenance of peace through the Sheriff; the administration of justice through the judicial circuit; the administration of welfare work through hospitals, infirmaries and poor relief systems; the administration of public works, such as highways, buildings, and drainage systems; the imposition and collection of taxes; the holding of elections; the administration, to a limited degree, of education; and the enforcement of State laws and decrees.

The General Assembly conferred upon the Posey County Board of Commissioners powers of a local administrative character (1 Indiana Rev. Stat., 1892, Ch. 20, Sec. 1). A Board of Finance has jurisdiction over financial matters (Acts 1907; Burns 61-506 [1909]). The elective board, County Council (Acts 1899; Burns 26-502 [1905]), has powers of administrative character on budget and tax levy matters. As a protection to the taxpayers of the county, the Board of Review was established and re-established (Acts 1901; Acts 1919, Burns 64-122 [1920]) to review and correct assessments; and later followed the formation of the Board of Tax Adjustments (Acts 1933; Burns 64-304). In 1938, the General Assembly established the Posey County Board of Public Welfare (Acts 1938, Special Session, Burns 52-1117) with jurisdiction over all matters of a charitable character.

The constitution provides that the State shall, from time to time, be divided into judicial circuits and a Judge and Prosecuting Attorney elected for each circuit (Indiana Const., Art. 7, Sec. 11). The eleventh circuit, Posey County, was established in 1913 (Acts 1913, 1919; Burns 48-502 [1917]).

The constitution directs that there shall be elected by the people, at the time of holding general elections, a Clerk of the Circuit Court, Auditor,

Recorder, Treasurer, Sheriff, Coroner, and Surveyor (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2); and that such other county offices, as may be necessary, shall be elected and appointed in such manner as may be prescribed by law (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 3). In 1899, the General Assembly prescribed the appointive office of Health Commissioner (Acts 1899; Burns 28-501 [5007]) to protect and administer to the health of the people of Posey County; in 1919, the elective office of Assessor (Acts 1919; Burns 64-1101 [11007]) to supervise assessment of property; in 1925, the appointive office of Agricultural Agent (Acts 1925; Burns 28-4911) to further agricultural progress in the county; and the appointive office of Highway Supervisor (Acts 1933; Burns 33-1110) to supervise construction and repair of Posey County roads.

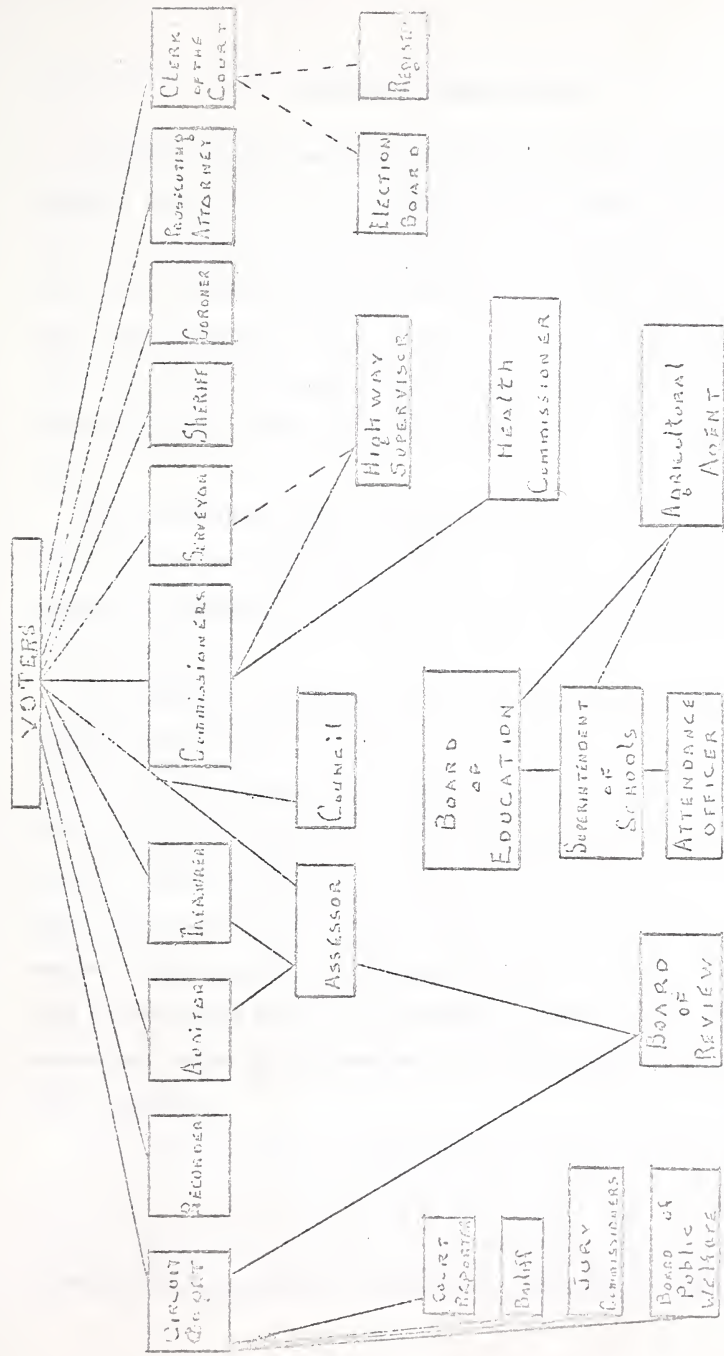
The administration of education in Posey County (outside of municipal corporations) is under the jurisdiction of the County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools (Acts 1898, 1911, 1915, and 1934; Burns 28-702 [3007]).

Between the adoption of the Constitution of 1816 and the Constitution of 1851, practically no changes were made in the form of government in Posey County. Following this period to the present time, changes were mainly enlargements of the government, such as creation of the above offices. The establishment of each of these offices caused the beginning of separate records as prescribed by the General Assembly under the provisions for each respective office.

As each office was created, the General Assembly prescribed the type of records which should be kept, in many cases listing the particular form of the page. Posey County was allowed its own form of accounting until, in 1900, the legislature established the State Board of Accounts which formulated, prescribed, and installed a system of accounting and reporting which is uniform for every

public office of the same class (Acts 1800; Burns CO-232 [1835]). Under this law, some of the records were combined to eliminate separation, duplication, and overlapping. The law also permits the use of bound looseleaf records in almost all cases where the records are typed. The quality of the paper and ink, binding and rebinding practices are left to the judgment of the Board of County Commissioners, except that a good quality is asked.

Whenever it may be necessary for the preservation of the records for any office of Posey County from mutilation, the Board of County Commissioners issues an order directing the officer in charge to copy and transcribe the records for preservation (Acts 1877; Burns 20-204 [1898]). Such records so transcribed have the force and effect of the original record (Acts 1877; Burns 20-235 [1898]).



(BASIC STRUCTURE)

CHART OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION -- INDIANA

HOUSING OF PUBLIC RECORDS

The Posey County courthouse, constructed in 1878, of brick and limestone, measures 105' by 119' by 73', allowing 987,125 cubic feet in space. The building houses the offices of Auditor, Clerk, Recorder, Sheriff, and Treasurer on the first floor; Assessor, Commissioners, and Superintendent of Schools on the second floor; two storerooms on the third floor; and one storeroom in the attic. It is 80% fireproof, and houses approximately 8% of the records in fireproof vaults. There have been no damages to the public records at any time.

The Agricultural Agent's bureau,¹³¹ located in the Federal Building, Walnut Street, and houses all records there. It is recommended that ample space and equipment be allotted for the proper housing of this bureau and its records in the courthouse.

The Assessor's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the second floor, measures 20' by 20' by 12', with two doors 10' by 8', and four windows 8' by 5'. The floor is tile, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation is good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the west wall, there are 65' of wood shelving, of which 54' are occupied with bound volumes, and 12' are occupied with unbound materials. The room is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. Two tables and nine chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 20% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 60% are located in the attic storeroom, and 20% in third floor storeroom.

The Auditor's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the first floor, measures 35' by 35' by 14', with two doors 12' by 3½', and five windows 8' by 5'. The floor is tile, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are fairly good, temperature normal, with

plenty of dust. Along the north, south and west walls, there are 524' of wood and steel roller shelving, of which 101' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 163' of boxes 10" deep, containing unbound materials. It is very crowded, allowing no room for expansion. Three desks, nine chairs and one stool afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 70% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 10% are located in the attic storeroom, 10% are stored in the southeast storeroom, third floor, and 10% are in the northeast storeroom, third floor.

The Commissioners' bureau houses all records in the Auditor's office.

The Coroner's bureau, located in the private office of the coroner, Mr. Newman, Newman Building, 113 W. 4th Street, Mt. Vernon, houses all records at that address. It is recommended that ample space and equipment be allotted for the proper housing of this bureau and its records in the courthouse.

The Health Commissioner's bureau, located in the private office of Dr. Hardwick, Hardwick Building, 123 E. Second Street, Mt. Vernon, houses all records there. It is recommended that ample space and equipment be allotted for the proper housing of this bureau and its records in the courthouse.

The Recorder's bureau, located in the northeast corner of the first floor, measures 25' by 25' by 14', with two doors 12' by 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ', and five windows 7' by 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ '. The floor is covered with inlaid linoleum, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is very dusty here. Along the east, west, and south walls, there are 622' of wood and steel roller shelving, of which 300' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 50' of 14" boxes, containing unbound materials. It is very crowded, allowing no room for expansion. Two desks, four large tables, eight chairs and two stools afford good accommodations to users. All of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Superintendent of Schools' bureau, located in the northwest corner of the second floor, comprises a main office and annex. The main office measures 20' by 20' by 12', with two doors 10' by 5', and four windows 9' by 3'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation is fair, temperature varies, and it is clean and dry. Along the east and south walls, there are 70' of wood shelving, of which 38' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 10' of boxes 23" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. Two desks, one table and four chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 80% of the Bureau's records are housed here, while 20% are located in the annex. The annex measures 17' by 12' by 10', with two doors 10' by 5', and two windows 9' by 3'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation is good, temperature varies, and it is clean and dry. Along the north, south, and west walls, there are 58' of steel shelving of which 6' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 40' of boxes 23" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. Two desks, three chairs, and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 20% of the Bureau's records are stored here, while 80% are located in the main office.

The Sheriff's bureau, located in the northwest corner of the first floor, measures 10' by 15' by 11', with one door 12' by 5', and two windows 9' by 3'. The floor is tile, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation is fair, temperature varies, and it is very dusty. Along the south wall, there are 15' of steel shelving, of which 2' are occupied with bound volumes. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion with new shelving. One desk, a table, and six chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 95% of the Bureau's records are housed here, while 5% are

located in the attic storeroom.

The Surveyor's bureau, comprising main office in the basement of the courthouse, and a private office in the Coliseum, Third and Walnut Streets. The main office measures 10' by 12' by 12', with two doors 7' by 3', and three twin windows 3' by 5'. The floor and ceiling are concrete, walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature varies, and it is clean and dry. Located on a bench along the west wall, there are 10' of bound volumes. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion with new shelving. There are no accommodations to users. All of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Treasurer's bureau, located in the southwest corner of the first floor, measures 55' by 23' by 14', with two doors 12' by 3½', and five windows 6' by 3½'. The floor is tile, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature varies, and it is clean and dry. Along the south and west walls, there are 475' of wood shelving, of which 350' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 15' of boxes 24" deep, containing unbound materials. There is ample space for expansion with new shelving, and sufficient accommodations to users. Approximately 86% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 20% are located in the southeast storeroom, third floor; 10% are in the northeast storeroom, third floor; and 5% are located in the attic storeroom.

The attic storeroom measures 40' by 15' by 10', with one door 7' by 3', and two circular windows 2' in diameter. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, unfinished, all in poor condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are poor, temperature 85 degrees, and it is plenty of dust prevalent. Along the north and south walls, there are 60' of wood shelving,

all of which are occupied with bound volumes, while 940' of bound volumes and 10' of boxes 24" deep, containing unbound materials, are stacked on the floor. It is very crowded, and additional shelving should be allotted for the proper housing of these public records. There are no accommodations to users. Approximately 60% of the Assessor's records, 10% of the Auditor's records, 10% of the Clerk's records, 5% of the Sheriff's records, and 5% of the Treasurer's records are stored here.

The northeast storeroom on the third floor, measures 16' by 14' by 10', with two doors 8' by 5', and four windows 8' by 3'. The floor is tile, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in fair condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are poor, temperature 88 degrees, with plenty of dust prevalent. Located along the walls, there are 780' of steel and wood shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, and 820' of bound volumes are stacked on the floor. Filing cabinets provide 700' of boxes 10" deep, containing unbound materials. Although it is very crowded, there is ample space for expansion with new shelving. There are no accommodations to users. Approximately 10% of the Auditor's records, 30% of the Clerk's records, and 10% of the Treasurer's records are stored here.

The southeast storeroom on the third floor, measures 16' by 14' by 10', with two doors 8' by 5', and four windows 7' by 3'. The floor is tile, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in fair condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are poor, temperature 89 degrees, and it is very dusty. Along the east and west walls, there are 120' of wood shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, and 400' of bound volumes are stacked on the floor; also 5' of unbound materials. Although it is very crowded, there is ample space for expansion with new shelving. There are no accommodations to users. Approximately 20% of the Assessor's records, 10% of the Auditor's

Moreover, 10% of the Clerk's records, and 20% of the Treasurer's records are stored here. It is recommended that additional shelving and equipment be allotted for the proper housing of these public records.

ABBREVIATIONS

The Style Manual of the United States Government Printing Office is the authority followed herein.

Art.	Article
Blg.	Building
Ch.	Chapter
C. C.	County Courthouse
Const.	Constitution
Id., ibid.	Idem (same reference as that immediately foregoing)
Ind.	Indiana
Infra	Below
P. 99.	Page, pages
Q. V.	Which see
Rev. Stat.	Revised Statutes
Sec.	Section
Supra	Above
U. S.	United States
V. vol., vols.	Volume, volumes

Other abbreviations occasionally used will be obvious from the context.

AGRICULTURAL AGENT

Whenever twenty or more residents of a county who are actively interested in agriculture file a petition, The County Board of Education files said petition with the County Council for appropriation of salary and expense; the Board of Education then applies to Purdue University for the appointment of an Agricultural Agent whose appointment is made annually.

In accordance with the law an Agricultural Agent has been appointed for Posey County. It is his duty, under the supervision of Purdue University, to cooperate with movements for the advancement of agriculture, give advice to farmers, and aid the county Superintendent of Schools in giving practical education in agriculture and domestic science. (Acts 1915, Burns 28-4911 [7045]).

1. ADMINISTRATION, CLUB WORK, 4-H CLUB, 1932--.

2 file boxes.

Complete record of 4-H club work in county, showing names of club leaders, awards, exhibits, and outings. No index. Handwritten. 14 x 12 x 24. Federal building, Agent's basement supply room.

2. AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING, 1932--. 1 folder.

Record of new agricultural engineering in local district. No index. 12 x 14 x 4. Federal building, Agent's basement supply room.

3. FARM CROPS, 1932--. 1 folder.

Record of all crops farmed in the county. No index. 14 x 12 x 4. Federal building, Agent's basement supply room.

4. FORESTRY, 1932---. 1 folder.

Record of forest reservations and Forestry. No index. 14 x 12 x 4. Federal building, Agent's basement supply room.

5. HORTICULTURE, 1932---. 1 folder.

Record of horticultural pursuits, No index. 14 x 12 x 4. Federal building, Agent's basement supply room.

6. HUSBANDRY, 1932---. 1 folder.

Record of husbandry. No index. 14 x 12 x 4. Federal building, Agent's basement supply room.

7. MARKETING, 1932---. 1 folder.

Record of marketing, foreign and domestic, of local agricultural products. No index. 14 x 12 x 4. Federal building, Agent's basement supply room.

8. POSSEY COUNTY, MAP OF, 1900. 1 map.

Political map. Drawn by J. D. Anderson, abstracter. Published at Mt. Vernon, Ind. Colored. Scale not given. 40 x 60. Federal building, Agent's office.

9. TOBACCO ADJUSTMENT, 1932---. 1 folder.

Record of tobacco adjustments, showing name of person and kind of adjustments. No index. 14 x 12 x 4. Federal Building, Agent's basement supply room.

ASSESSOR

The Assessor's office, created by the General Assembly, is non-constitutional.

The Assessor is nominated by primary and elected for a four-year term in the fall election, there being no prohibition against successive terms in office. Qualifications are established by law: he must have been a continuous freeholder of Posey County for not less than four years before the date of election, and he must provide a five thousand dollar bond, with two or more good and sufficient freehold sureties approved by the Auditor, who also administers the oath of office. The statutes direct that he shall be subject to the orders and directions of the State Board of Tax Commissioners. He may be removed from office for misconduct, upon the notice and hearing, and may appeal to the Circuit Court from unfavorable hearings below. (Note 1919, Burns Cl-1101 [1101]).

His duties are to assess omitted property and improvements, to appraise each school plant, to instruct the township assessors, to carry out the orders of the State tax board, and to act as president of Posey County Board of Review (Note 1919; Burns Cl-1101 [1101]).

20. ASSESSMENT LIST, 1871-1880. 1871 vols. 1872-1881, and 1882-1891, missing.

Record of assessment lists made by township assessors on real estate, and personal property, showing name of owner, sex, color, age, occupation, schedule of personal property, intangible personal property, value,

personal property chattels, Interregistrations, debts, household goods, farm implements, furniture, and pictures. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten. 330 pp. 11 x 6 x 2 1/2. C.G., attic vaults, 1871-1873, 90, storeroom, 1st floor 92 vols., 1880-; Treasurer's office.

11. ASSESSMENT LIST, 1870-; 15 bundles.

Record of assessment lists of household goods, farming implements, and other chattels. No index. 10 x 10 x 5. C.G., Assessor's office.

For earlier records, see entry 104.

12. ASSESSED RISE BOOK, 1871-; 357 vols. 1873, 1881, 1888-1891, missing.

Record of assessed valuation of real and personal property made by township or incorporated town, name of property owner, description of property, and amount of tax. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten. 100 pp. 10 x 15 x 2 1/2. C.G., 607 vols., 1871-1880, attic storeroom; 51 vols., 1880-85, Recorder's office. 181 vols., 1885-88, Auditor's office, 15 vols., 1888-; Assessor's office.

13. ORIGINED PAYMENT, RECORD OF, 1873-87. 1 vol.

Record of money loans and credits of tax payers and listing of property omitted, showing date, name of debtor, amounts, when due, moneys loaned, and credit outstanding. Indexed alphabetically by debtor. Handwritten. 240 pp. 14 x 23 x 2. C.G., attic storeroom.

14. PLAT BOOKS, 1873-; 40 vols. 1881-82, missing.

Record of farms and parcels of land with the description, showing name of owner, number of acres, and total valuation. Arranged numerically by section number. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 10 x 15 x 1 1/2. 70 vols., 1873-1881, attic storeroom; 30 vols., 1881-; Auditor's office.

19. STATISTICAL SUMMARY, 1911-12, 1912-13. 4 vols.

1913-14, missing.

Record of various townships, showing name of property owner, total acreage of farm as shown by deed, unproductive waste land, acres of pasture and woods, cleared land, and report of all crops raised. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten. 100 pp. 13 x 11 x 1 1/2. C.G., sec. storeroom, 3rd floor.

20. TOWNSHIP'S RETURNS AND VOUCHERS, 1911-12. 7 bundles.

Record of reports of township ^TTrustees to county treasurer, in townships where population is less than 5,000, and records of vouchers or receipts signed by parties receiving checks from trustees. No index. 10 x 10 x 4. C.G., treasurer's office.

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes that this is essential for ensuring transparency and accountability in the organization's operations.

2. The second part outlines the specific procedures and protocols that must be followed when recording transactions. This includes details on how to categorize expenses, how to handle receipts, and the frequency of record-keeping.

3. The third part addresses the role of the accounting department in managing these records. It highlights the need for regular audits and reviews to ensure that the data is accurate and up-to-date.

4. The final part of the document provides a summary of the key points and reiterates the importance of strict adherence to the established procedures. It also mentions the consequences of failing to follow these guidelines.

AUDITOR

The Auditor is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and entitled to hold office for not more than eight years in any period of twelve. The Auditor is required to post bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; Burns 40-3003).

The Auditor is the clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. He preserves the documents, books, records, maps, and papers deposited in his office; examines and settles all accounts and demands chargeable against Posey County; keeps an account current with the treasurers; acknowledges deeds and mortgages executed for the security of trust funds; issues pension certificates; institutes suits on behalf of trust funds; files records of poor relief and reports of charity cases; approves bonds of township trustees; advertises and calls townships; delivers election supplies to election inspectors; prepares tax duplicates; verifies tax returns; issues tax deeds; acts as custodian of school funds; and accepts bequests for charities. (Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1870; Burns 40-3004 [1852] to 40-3010 [1870]).

Banking

17. COLLATERAL SECURITIES, RECORD OF, 1893-11. 1 vol.

Record of collateral securities of banks and trust companies, showing number of bonds, face value, by whom deposited, by whom issued, and by whom approved. Arranged chronologically. Information on printed form. 92 pp. 14 x 14 x 15 Cts., see storeroom, 2nd floor.

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Bonds

18. TOWNSHIPS BONDS, RECORD OF, 1901-51, 1 vol.

Record of bonds given by township treasurer, showing amount, date, term of bond, and to whom. Index alphabetically by township. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pgs. 10 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Auditor's office.

19. ENGINEERS BONDS, 1900-., 25 papers.

Record of road and bridges engineers under bond, showing amount and description. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

20. FERRY BONDS, 1900-., 20 papers.

Record of ferry operator's bonds, showing name of business, date, amount, name of operator, and oath. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

21. OFFICIALS BONDS, COUNTY, 1874-., 150 papers.

Record of officers and employees bonds and documents, showing name, date, bondsmen, amount, security and oath. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

22. RETAILERS APPLICATION BONDS, 1875-., 70 papers.

Record of retailers bonds, showing name, amount, date, kind of business, including license to sell liquor. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

23. CATCHERMAN OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES, RECORD OF BONDS OF,
1891-97. 1 vol.

Record of bonds of secretary of board of school trustees, showing
amount, surety, and period of bond. Indexed alphabetically by
secretary. Handwritten on printed forms. 400 pp. 10 x 12 x 2 1/2.
C.O., Auditor's office.

24. TRUSTEE BOND, RECORD OF, 1891-92. 2 vols. Prior to 1891, and
after 1891, missing.

Record of township trustee's bonds, showing amount, surety, and period
to run. Indexed alphabetically by trustee. Handwritten. 500 pp.
10 x 12 x 3. C.O., Auditor's office.

Budget

25. APPROPRIATIONS AND DISBURSEMENTS, RECORD OF, 1911-.. 10 vols.
(1-10). Prior to 1911, missing.

Record of appropriations and disbursements, showing date of appropriation,
date and amount of disbursement, number of warrant, date returned, and
total amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed forms.
625 pp. 10 x 16 x 3. C.O., 2 vols., 1911-16, and stenogram, 6 vols.,
1917-.., Auditor's office.

26. FEE AND CASH BOOK, 1910-.. 2 vols. (1-2). Prior to 1910,
missing.

Record of fees and cash paid to Auditor, showing date, from whom, and
purpose. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 100 pp. 10 x 12 x
1. C.O., Auditor's office.

27. 1880, REGISTER OF, 1885-1910. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of fees, showing date, from whom, purpose, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 217 pp. 13 x 12 x 1. C.C., storeroom, 3rd floor.

28. 1880, 1911-12. 4 vols.

Record of cash accounts, showing kind of funds, ordinary, building, bank tax, expenses, and balance. Entered alphabetically by subject. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. C.C., 3rd storeroom, 3rd floor.

29-30. MONTHLY BALANCE RECORD, 1911-12. 2 vols. (1 vol. numbered

2). Prior to 1911, missing.

Record of monthly balances of receipts and disbursements of revenues and miscellaneous funds, showing to whom, from whom, number of account, balance, and overdraft. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 285 pp. 10 x 14 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.

31. RECEIPTS, APPROPRIATIONS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1920-21, 1922-23.

11 vols.

Record of receipts, appropriations and disbursements, showing date, warrant number, amount, from what appropriations, and to whom. Arranged chronologically. Typed. 600 pp. 10 x 14 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.

For earlier record, see entry 30.

32. A GRANT, RECORD OF, 1914-21. 2 vols. (2, 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of receipts for county funds, showing date, bill, number, sale of material, temporary loans, change of value, and fees for circuit court funds, special judges, jury fees, and circuit clerks, etc.

miscellaneous funds, and town and city funds, showing date, number of receipt, total amount of receipts for all funds, Clerk's fees, Auditor's fees, Treasurer's percentage on collections and rentals, Recorder's fees, Sheriff's fees, courthouse rental, public printing and advertising, county road expenses, Agricultural Agent, and taxes refunded. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp.
10 x 12 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 61.

Change of Venue

33. VENUE BOOKS, 1902-4. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements of change of venue of cases tried in county, showing date of receipt, from when received, date of disbursement, from what county, title of case, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 150 pp. 10 x 12 x 1, C.C., Auditor's office.

Maps

34. MAP VERNON, 1930. 1 map.

Plot map, showing plots, division, subdivisions, streets, and alleys. Drawn by H. Smith. Published at No. Vernon, Indiana. Blueprint. Scale, 1" to 300 feet. 34 x 34. C.C., Auditor's office.

35. POLK COUNTY, 1930. 1 map.

Political map, showing wards, townships, cities, towns and villages. Drawn by H. Smith. Published at No. Vernon, Indiana. Blueprint. Scale, 2" to 1 mile. 43 x 72. C.C., Auditor's office.

Highways

30. MISCELLANEOUS RECORD, 1911-22. 115 file boxes.

Record of bonds, ~~etc.~~ ~~etc.~~, bids, uncollected checks, receipts, warrants, road accounts, and other miscellaneous items. These file boxes contain papers of various offices and are not filed on the title on hand. Arranged chronologically. 4 x 10 x 1 1/2. O.S., Auditor's office.

Public Works

30. BRIDGE RECORD, 1911-22. 1 vol.

Record of bridges, showing date of appropriation, amount, cost, location of bridges, what township, date of contract, name of contractor, and date of payment. Arranged chronologically. Transcriptions. 320 pp. 10 x 10 x 2. O.S., Auditor's office.

30. DITCH RECORD, 1911-22. 30 pages.

Record of contracts for ditches, showing cost of labor, amount and cost of materials, date, name of contractor, location and description of land or ditch. Arranged chronologically. Transcriptions. O.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 30.

30. GRAVEL ROAD BOND, 1911-22. 1 vol.

Record of bonds issued for improvement of gravel roads, showing date, location, and amount of bond issued. Arranged chronologically. 1 vol. written and printed forms. 30 pp. 10 x 14 x 1. O.S., Auditor's office.

39. GRAVEL ROAD CONSTRUCTION RECORD, 1899-91. 1 vol.

Record of disbursements for the construction of gravel roads, showing date, order number, to whom issued, road number, and total contract price. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed forms. 254 pp. 20 x 14 x 1 1/2. C.C., Auditor's office.

Purchasing

40. BIDDER'S RECORD, 1897-99. 1 vol.

Record of construction bids, showing kind of work, supplies, and materials. Indexed alphabetically by material or supplies. Handwritten. 200 pp. 14 x 14 x 1 1/2. C.C., Auditor's office.

41. COUNTY SUPPLIES, BID CH, 1894-99. 33 papers

Record of bids for materials and supplies, showing name of company, amount of bid, items, and specifications. No index. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 37.

42. COURTHOUSE FURNITURE, BIDS CH, 1893-99. 7 papers

Record of bids made by various companies for furniture, showing date, amount of bid, and amount of furniture. No index. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 33.

43. GROCERY BONDS, 1893-99. 30 papers

Record of grocery bonds, showing name, location, date, and extent of bond. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 33.

Receipts

44. CANCELED CHECKS, 1874-.., 403 papers.

Record of canceled checks, showing date, amount, to whom issued, by whom, name of bank, check number, and date canceled. Arranged chronologically. U.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

45. COUNTY ORDERS, 1803-.., 200 papers.

Record of orders for supplies or materials, showing order number, article purchased, date, from whom purchased, and amount of order. Arranged chronologically. U.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

46. COUNTER RECEIPTS, 1803-1812, 1874-.., 150 papers.

Receipts given by Auditor to contractor, showing amount, account of, date, and for what purpose. Arranged chronologically. U.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

47. DISBURSEMENT RECORD, 1803-35. 14 vols. Prior to 1803, and 1810-35, missing.

Record of disbursements for fiscal year, showing date, order number, those favor drawn, for what purpose, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 100 pp. 16 x 20 x 3. U.S., 3 vols, 1800-10 attic storeroom; 11 vols, 1810-35, Auditor's office.

48. DISBURSEMENT RECORD, 1803-.., 11 vols.

Record of disbursements, showing appropriation number, date, amount, to whom issued, amount of receipts, for what allowed, and fund drawn from. Arranged chronologically. Types. 600 pp. 13 x 18 x 3. U.S., Auditor's office.

40. ORDERS, REGISTER OF, 1871-80. 6 vols.

Register of orders issued, showing date, number, to whom payable, on what account, amount, and referred orders. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pgs. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., attic storeroom.

50. TREASURER'S RECEIPTS, 1882-85. 400 papers.

Receipts of money paid by Treasurer, showing amount, for what, date, and date paid. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

51. WARRANTS, 1874-80. 200 papers.

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Record of checks issued on the Treasurer, showing date, when issued, number, and various bills. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

52. WARRANTS ISSUED, REGISTER OF, 1818-80. 2 vols. (2 vols.

numbered 3). Prior to 1818, missing.

Record of checks issued on Treasurer, showing date, number, to whom drawn, on what account, and total amount of county revenue. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pg. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.

School Fund

54-55. COMMUNITY AND DISTRICT FUND, 1910-1915. 2 vols.

(1-2).

Record of condition of common school fund, showing amount held in trust, loans in force, loans placed, and cash in treasury. No index. Hand-written on printed form. 250 pp. 10 x 10 x 2. C.C., Auditor's office.

56. CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUND, 1870-1911. 2 vols. (2-3).

Vol. 1, missing.

Record of congressional township school fund, showing to whom paid, date, warrant number, principal and interest, total paid, and township. Arranged by township. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 12 x 3 x 1. C.C., sec. storeroom, 3rd floor.

57. CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP FUND, 1890-1911. 3 vols.

Record of congressional township fund, showing to whom paid, date, principal and interest, total, and township number. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 14 x 3 1/2. C.C., sec. storeroom, 3rd floor.

58. INVENTORY OF LOANS, 1871-1911. 1 vol.

Record of inventory of trust of school fund, showing number of loans, date, amount, amount unpaid, amount of interest due, and remarks. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 240 pp. 10 x 10 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.

53. LANDS SOLD FOR SCHOOLS, 1851-1856. 6 vols. (1, 2, 4, 5, 6 vols. not numbered). Dates to 1851, and from 1856, missing. Record of school fund loans, showing date, due date, description of property, payments on principal and interest, and assessed valuation. Indexed alphabetically by mortgage, and mortgagee. Description on printed form. 533 pp. 15 x 18 x 3. 6 1/2", 4 vols. 1851-1856, Auditor's office; 2 vols. 1856-58, State Records.

54. GRANT FUND, 1851-1857. 1851-1857. 4 vols. (1-3, and 4 vols. not numbered). Summary register of school funds, showing date, mortgage, address, date, due, amount due, date paid, principal payments, and balance due. To index. Description on printed form. 150 pp. 15 x 18 x 3. 6 1/2", 1 vol. 1851-1856, St. Records, and also, 3 vols. 1856-58, Auditor's office.

55. LANDS AND DONATION FUNDS, 1851-57. 1 vol. Record of the congressional township funds, showing date disbursed, warrant number, on what account, and total amount paid to disbursement record. Indexed chronologically. Description on printed form. 150 pp. 15 x 18 x 3. 6 1/2", Auditor's office.

56. LANDS, 1851-57. 1851-57. 100 pages. Record of real estate sold for school funds, showing date of purchase, date, amount, description, and location of land. Indexed chronologically. Description. 6 1/2", Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 51.

Section 1 Summary

60. SIGNAL OF SOLDIERS, 1870-1910. 40 pages.

Record of soldiers buried in country, showing name, date of enlistment, record of service, rank, date of death, and place of burial. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 55.

61. OLD AGE PENSIONS, APPLICATIONS FOR, 1900-1910. 1 vol.

Record of applications of persons seeking old age pensions, showing name, address, sex, date and place of birth, present residence, single or married, living with husband or wife, names and age of children, and value of property owned. Arranged alphabetically by applicant's last name. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.

62. FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF CASES OF, 1904-1910. 200 pages.

Record of persons appointed to investigate poor relief, showing name of person appointed. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 55.

63. SOLDIERS' BURIAL RECORD, 1900-1910. 1 vol.

Burial record of ex-Union soldiers, sailors and marines, showing name, place of burial, date of death, occupation, age, rank, value of property owned, and itemized statement of expenses. Arranged alphabetically by deceased. Handwritten on printed form. 453 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.

Statistics

66. REPORT, 1874--.. 35 pages.

Monthly report of Auditor, showing receipts to City, receipts for month, total receipts, funds, disbursements, total disbursements, overdraft, and balance, arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 34.

67. HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR, MONTHLY REPORT, 1874--.. 40 pages.

Report of highway work, showing all work done, expenses, amount, labor, maintenance, and materials used. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 34.

68. COUNTY OFFICIALS, 1874--.. 75 pages.

Report of all county officials, showing date, on exhibition, and indebtedness. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 34.

69. SUPERINTENDING, REPORT OF, 1874--.. 200 pages.

Report of County Superintendent, showing amount of expenditures, for what purpose, and date. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

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70. CRIMINAL RECORD, 1874--.. 110 pages.

Record of criminals, showing date, description of crime, name and penalty. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 34.

76. LICENSE ISSUED, NOVEMBER 23, 1895-96. 2 vol.

Register of cities, light, electricians, plumbers, physicians, and other licenses, showing date, name, place, and time license expires. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 123 pp. 13 x 7 x 3/8. C.C., Auditor's office.

77. JURY AND JUSTICE OF PEACE, RECORDS OF, 1891-96. 200 pages. Record of cases tried before ^NJury and ^NJustices of Peace, showing names of defendants, crime, date, and disposition of case. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 80.

78. PARTITION, 1891-96. 60 pages.

Partitions of property, showing names, date, and amount of property. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 80.

79. RAILROAD MAINTENANCE, 1891-96. 60 pages.

Record of partitions for railroads, showing amount of work, length of road, location, cost, date, and name. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

- For further information, see entry 80.

80. REPORTS, 1891-96. 200 pages.

Reports of ^NCommissioner and ^NJustices, showing ^Ntotal amount of cash of fund, total receipts, amount disbursed, ^Ncommodities, and ^Nimbursements. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 80.

72. SPECIAL JUDGE CERTIFICATION, 1898-99. 60 papers.

Record of appointment of special judge, showing date, case, and name of judge. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 60.

73. SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATION, 1898-99. 40 papers.

Record of qualifications for surveying land, showing name, title, what surveyed, location, and when certified. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 60.

74. TRUCKER'S RETURN, WHEAT FREIGHT OF, 1898-99. 60 papers.

Record of transportation expenses for truck work, showing date, name of person transported, from where, destination, and total amount. Arranged chronologically. Examination. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 60.

75. TRUCKER'S RETURN, 1898-99. 600 papers.

Record of orders issued, showing date, number of order, in what favor, rate of interest, amount, and when due. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 60.

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76. BANK CHECKS PAID TO THE C.C., 1898-99. 25 papers.

Stubs and carbon copies of receipts issued for the payment of various accounts. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 60.

66. BOB LAMBERT (1890), 1890-1900, 100 papers.

Record of all dogs listed for taxes, showing owner, kind of dog, amount of tax and sex. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 65.

67. INHERITANCE TAX NOTICES, 1890-1900. 60 papers.

Record of assets and liabilities belonging to estate of deceased for purpose of collecting inheritance tax, showing name, date, and amount of tax due. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 65.

68. LAND AND TOWN LOTS SOLD, 1890-1900. 2 vols. (C). Prior to 1890, missing.

Record of lands and town lots sold, showing number of lots, description, name of town, in whose name sold, and amount sold. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form, 110 pp. 10 x 21 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.

69. SPENCER LAMBERT'S ESTATE, 1890-1900. 50 vols. (1-2, and 23 vols. are numbered).

Record of affidavits filed on mortgage indebtedness, showing a mortgage exists on taxable property for the payment of taxes. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 375 pp. 10 x 12 x 2. C.C., 2 vols., 1890-1900, 3rd floor; 12 vols., 1910-20, attic storeroom; 3 vols., 1921-30, Auditor's office; 10 vols., 1931-40, Auditor's office.

50. MORTGAGE ENCUMBRANCES, 1890-1900. 66 pages.

Record of mortgage encumbrances, showing date, amount, value, mortgagee, and mortgagor, and amount allowed for exemption. Arranged chronologically. Classification. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 55.

51-52. REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1890-1900. 15 vols. Numbering varies. Dates to 1895, and some to 1900, missing.

Record of real estate, showing owner, description, value of land, value of improvements, and land value. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Classification of printed form. 100 pp. 10 x 10 in. C.C., Auditor's office.

For later record, see Miscellaneous Work.

53. TAXATION COMPROMISES, 1890-1900. 1 vol.

Record of records of compromise of land selling tax cases, showing owner, date, description, amount of taxes, and purchase. Arranged chronologically. Classification of printed form. 200 pp. 10 x 11 in. C.C., Auditor's office.

54. LAND RIGHTS, 1890-1900. 100 pages.

Record of real estate rights, showing date, owner, description, and real improvements. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 55.

55. SOLDIERS' AFFIDAVITS AND RECEIPTS FOR PAY, 1890-1900. 10 vols.

Record of affidavits filed by soldiers for mortgage encumbrances, showing name, date, length and kind of service, location and description of land, and amount of mortgage. Arranged chronologically. Classification. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 55.

66. SHIPPING AND RECEIVING RECORDS. 15 papers.

Record of soldier's exemptions, showing name, disability, and amount of exemption. Arranged chronologically. C.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 65.

67. TAX CERTIFICATES, 1874-84. 655 papers.

Record of amount of tax to be paid, showing date, location, and description of property value, and particulars with respect to delinquent taxes. Arranged chronologically. Description. C.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 65.

68. TAX CERTIFICATES, 1885-94. 35 papers.

Record of tax certificates returned, showing amount, for what purpose, date, and date returned. Arranged chronologically. Description. C.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 65.

69. TAX LISTS, 1874-84. 75 papers.

Record of tax list on property, showing date, amount of tax, owner of property, description, location, and when tax is due. Arranged chronologically. C.S., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 65.

70. TAX AND CERTIFICATE RECORDS, 1885-94. 2 vol. Prior to 1885, and 1885, missing.

Record of tax certificates, given by the Auditor to the party paying the delinquent taxes on property not taxed by them, showing date, name, witnesses, amount of tax, description and location of land. Arranged alphabetically by party paying taxes. Description on printed form. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. C.S., Auditor's office.

101. TRANSFER BOOKS, 1890-1900. 77 vols. (2, 5, 77 vols. not numbered). V.1, prior to 1890, missing.

Record of transfer of land within a town or township, showing from whom and to whom transferred, description of land, and date of transfer. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Transmitted on printed form. 110 pp. 10 x 12 x 2. C.C., Auditor's office.

102. TRANSFER BOOKS, OF DOG TAX COLLECTION, 1874-1900. 560 pages.

Record of all dog tax paid into the trustees, showing amount paid, date paid, name of owner of dog, sex of dog, and name of trustee. No index. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 95.

CLERK

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and not entitled to hold office more than eight years in any twelve-year period. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; Burns 49-2701 [1841]).

The Clerk preserves all records and writings filed in his office; procures all necessary judges' appearances, bar, judgment, and execution dockets, and order and final record books; attends the sessions of the Posey Circuit and enters in the proper record book all orders, judgments, and decrees of the court; keeps a complete record of all causes where the title to land is involved, and of criminal causes where the punishment is death or imprisonment. He is not obliged to receive all funds ordered to be paid into the court. (2 Indiana Gov. Stat. 1832; Acts 1859, 1867, 1875, 1879 Special session, 1929, and 1930; Burns 49-2701 to 49-2725 [1841-1937]).

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103. OFFICIAL BOND RECORD, 1914-.. 1 vol. (46). Prior to 1914, missing.

Record of bonds of county officials, showing official, amount, surety, date, witnesses, and Clerk's signature. Indexed alphabetically by official. Handwritten and typed. 502 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's office.

104. OFFICIAL BOND INDEX BOOKS, 1877-1917, 5 vols.

Index to Official Bond Record, showing official, sureties, nature of bond, date, amount, and page number. Arranged alphabetically by person bonded. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom 3 rd. floor.

105. OFFICIAL BOND RECORD (NOTARIAL), 1921---. 2 vol. (4).

Record of notarial bonds, showing amount, name of notary, witnesses, date, and Clerk's signature. Indexed alphabetically by notary. Handwritten on printed form. 618 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's office.

For earlier record, see entry 103.

106. OFFICIAL BONDS, 1928---. 50 file boxes. Prior to 1928, missing.

Record of bonds of public officials, showing official, amount, surety, oath, and date filed. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 4 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

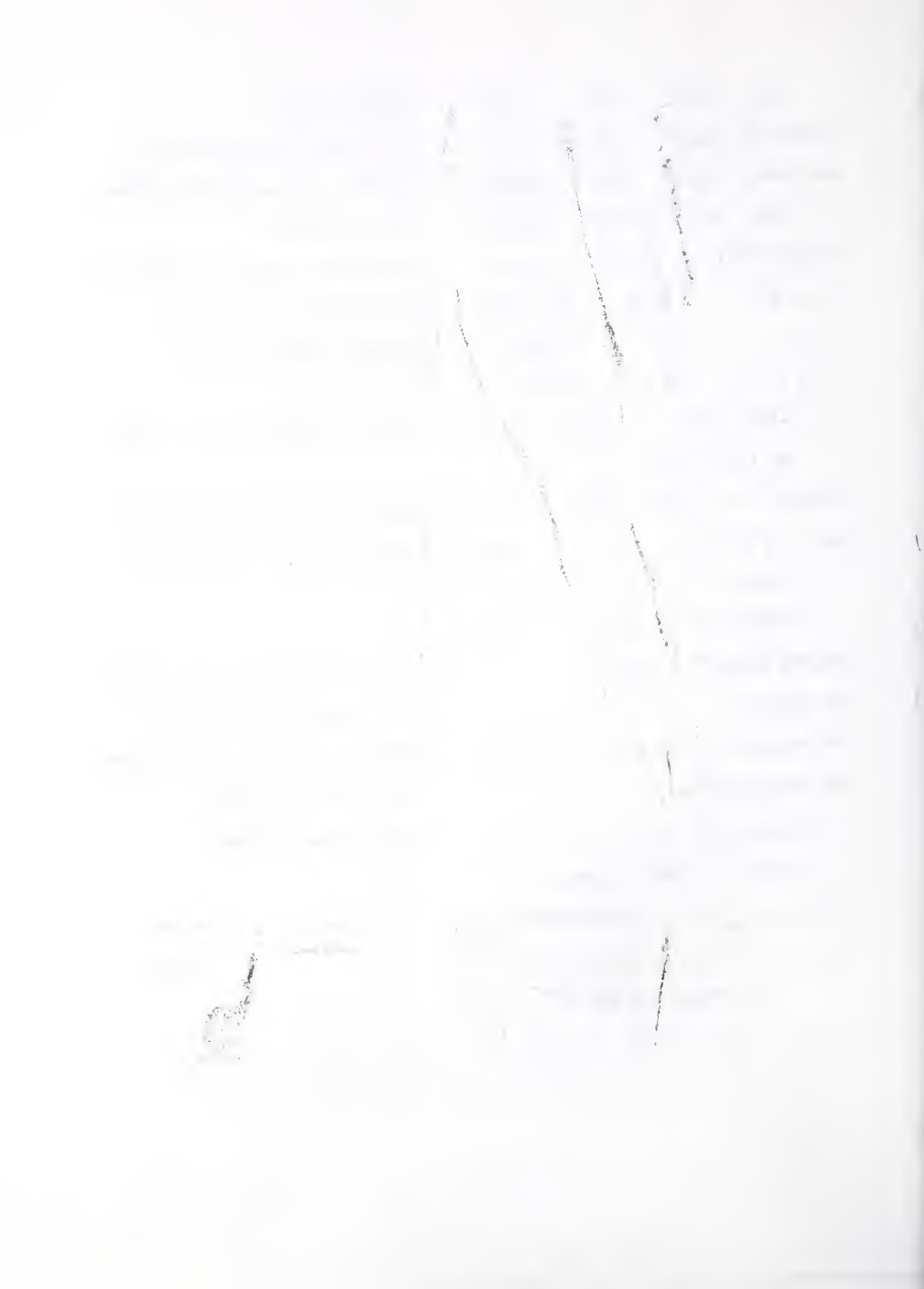
Court, Circuit

107. CIVIL CASES, GENERAL INDEX TO, 1915---. 8 vols. (2 sets numbered 1-4).

General index to civil cases, showing litigants, action, date filed, order book, page number, and file box. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 18 x 14 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

108. CASES DISPOSED OF, 1920---. 50 file boxes.

Record of disposed cases, showing name, case, offense, disposition, and case number. Arranged chronologically. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.



114. ENTRY BOOK, ON ENTRY BOOK HOUSE, 1851-1918. 2 vols.

(1-18, 18-22). V. 17, 1825-30, missing.

Record of court cases, showing litigants, attorneys, action, date filed, judgment, and remarks. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.S., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

115. EXECUTIONS, 1828-34. 50 file boxes.

Record of execution papers, showing description, date, and typed. Arranged chronologically. 3 x 4 x 10. C.S., Clerk's office.

116. EXECUTIONS BOOK, 1819-44. 13 vols.

Record of Circuit Court executions, showing number, date of issuance, nature of writ, litigants, judgment, and officers returning. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 800 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.S., Clerk's office.

117. PROBATIONERS, 1820-35. 50 file boxes.

Record of Probationers sent to institutions, showing name, nature of application, date, and where sent. Arranged chronologically. 3 x 4 x 10. C.S., Clerk's office.

118. FEE BOOK, 1819-1901. 21 vols. 1901-13, missing.

Record of court fees, showing name, officers, amount, and date. Indexed alphabetically by payer. Handwritten on printed form. 375 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.S., no. storeroom 3rd floor.

For later record, see entry 114.

118. (ORIGINAL RECORD BOOKS). 1891-98. 11 vols.

Record of criminal cases, showing prosecution, litigants, attorneys, action, date filed, witnesses, and deposition. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 318 pp. 8 x 12 x 3. C.C., no. storeroom 3 rd. floor.

120. FEEs, REGISTER OF, 1876-99. 6 vols. (1-6).

Register of fees received, showing date, by whom paid, cause, court, amount, fee book, and page number. Arranged alphabetically. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 1 x 12 x 3. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

121. FINES AND FORFEITURES, 1810-20. 1 vol.

Record of fines and forfeitures collected, showing from whom, collected, date, and amount. Arranged alphabetically by payer. Handwritten on printed form. 380 pp. 10 x 12 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

122. FOR DOCK, 1800-50. 1 vol.

Record of cases tried before the squires, justices, Commissioners and Circuit Court of Henderson County, Kentucky. Indexed alphabetically by litigants. Handwritten. 83 pp. 15 x 9 x $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

123. INDICTMENT AFFIDAVITS, 1881-.. 50 file boxes.

Record of indictments, showing name, date, and nature of indictment. Arranged chronologically. 8 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

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121. INDICTMENT BOOK, 1861-66. (1-12).

Record of indictments and activities for same, showing person indicted, nature of indictment, witnesses and date. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 15 x 12 x 3, C.C., v. 1-4 no. storeroom, 3rd floor, v. 5-12, Clerk's office.

122. INSANE INQUEST, 1870-77. 3 vols. (1-4 and 2 vols. not numbered).

Record of applications for insanity inquests, showing date, name, personal history, and statement of physician. Arranged alphabetically by inmate. Handwritten on printed form. 504 pp. 15 x 12 x 2 1/2, C.C., Clerk's office.

123. JUDGMENT BOOK, 1815-66. 10 vols. (1-10).

Record of judgments, showing date, parties, amount, cause, and results of satisfaction. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 15 x 10 x 2, C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

127. JURY BOOK, 1877-81. 1 vol.

Record of jurors, showing name, case, date, when ^{paid} served, and time served. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 14 x 8 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd floor.

128-129. LI. P. 1878-8, 1881-87. 1 vol.

Record of property held, pending outcome of lawsuit in court, showing date, parties, property, cause of complaint, and amount involved. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 15 x 12 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

130. GRAND JURY, CIVIL, 1915--. 48 vols. (A-Z, A-Z 21, 2 vols. numbered A).

Record of orders and proceedings of the Court on civil cases, showing date, parties, attorneys, nature of case, and all court proceedings. 1915-1914, handwritten; 1910--., typed. 975 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

131. QUIET TITLE RECORDS. 1 15--. 1 vol. prior 1915, missing.

Record of court proceedings in quiet title cases, showing description and location of lands and transcript of court order. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 535 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Recorder's office.

132. RILEY HOSPITAL RECORD, 1921--. 1 vol.

Record of children sent to Riley Hospital, showing name, age, race, birthplace, complaint, parents or guardian, curable or incurable, condition, and application for admission from county clerk. Handwritten on printed form. 425 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

133. RILEY AND FURNACE HOSPITAL. 1920--. 50 file boxes.

Record of all persons entering hospital, showing name, date, illness, age, sex, length of illness, and parties signing entries. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

134. COUNTY RECORD, 1915--. 1 vol. (1, 4-6, and 8 vols. not numbered).

Record of units of cases and various orders, showing judgment, date, complaint, etc. 1915-1910, handwritten; 1905-1900, typed. 600 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's office.

Court, Common Pleas

185. APPEARANCE BOOKLET PROBATE, 1853-77. 5 vols. (1-2 and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of appearance before court by administrators for settlement of estates, showing administrator, proceedings, date, receipt, claims, and attorney. Indexed alphabetically by deceased. Handwritten on printed form. 280 pp. 10 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's office.

186. ASSIGNMENTS, SECOND OP, 1880-81. 1 vol.

Record of assignments of property to satisfy debts, showing date, itemized list of property, amount of debt, and parties. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 10 x 12 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

187. FEE BOOK, 1866-73. 2 vols. Prior 1866, missing.

Record of fees paid into court in probate cases, showing date, amount, name of estate, and purpose. Indexed alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 10 x 6 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

188. JUDGMENT BOOK, 1853-73. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of judgments in court, showing date, amount, and receipt of satisfaction. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 10 x 10 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

189-140. CRIM BOOK, 1853-73. 6 vols. (1-6).

Record of action on cases brought before court, showing date, parties, and action taken. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 350 pp. 10 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's office.

Court, Juveniles

141. OCT. 7-1906, 1881-.. 1 vol.

Record of court proceedings and decisions concerning juveniles, showing date, name, charge, and action taken. Indexed alphabetically by juvenile. 1884-84; typed. 1885-.., handwritten. 265 pp.
16 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Clerk's office.

Court, Probate

142-145. ADMINISTRATION, LETTERS OF, ADMINISTRATOR'S OATHS AND BONDS, 1880-.., 9 vols. (1-5 and 4 vols. not numbered).

Record of executors and administrator's bonds, showing executor or administrator, sureties, amount and condition of bond, decedent, and date. Arranged alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. C.C., v. 1-5, Clerk's office; 4 vols. unnumbered, no. storeroom, 3rd. floor.

146. ADMINISTRATOR BOND RECORD, 1883-1903. 5 vols.

Record of bonds to sell real estate, showing amount and obligation of bond, and bondsmen. Indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten. 760 pp. 13 x 11 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., 4 vols., 1883-88, no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor; 1 vol., 1885-1903, Clerk's office.

For later records, see entry 142.

147. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT, 1880-.. 50 file boxes.

Administrator's report to court, showing estate, administrator, date, usual remarks, and complete inventory of estate. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

146. (CASES, DISPOSED OF,) 1818-22. 235 file boxes. (1-235).

Record of concluded estate cases, showing guardians, estates, dases, executorships, final reports, and all other papers pertaining to estates.

Indexed alphabetically by decedent in general index. Handwritten.

3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

For general index, see entry, 149.

147. ESTATE ENTRY, CLAIM AND ALLOWANCE DOCKET, AND PEE BOOK, 1821-22.

CLAIM AND ALLOWANCE DOCKET, 6 vols. (1-3, 1-5).

Records of claims allowed against estates, showing date, amount, administrator or executor, claim number, claims by, and action taken.

Arranged alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form.

300 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

148. DEBAT 3, not dated. 45 file boxes. (1-30, A-0).

Papers covering cases in court in settlement of estates. No index.

Handwritten. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

149. ESTATES, INDEX TO, no date. 1 vol.

General index to estate file boxes and appearance docket, showing decedent, administrator, book and page number, and file box. Arranged alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form.

100 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.

150. PEE BOOK, 1821-1830. 7 vols. 1821-1824, miscell.

Record of personal property made by appraisers appointed by court, showing description, valuation, and amount taken by widows. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 476 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

151. GUARDIAN BOND BOOKS. 1852-55. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of bonds given by guardian, showing date, amount, condition, guardian, and wards. Indexed alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 12 x 12 x 3. C.C., v. 1-4, No. storeroom 3 rd. floor; v. 5, 1902-55. Clerk's office.

152. GUARDIANSHIP, not dated. 80 file boxes. (1-80).

Record of filed papers and documents covering guardianship cases in court, showing date, guardian, and wards. No index. Handwritten. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

153. GUARDIANSHIP, INDEX TO, not dated. 3 vols.

General index to file boxes containing guardianship papers, showing guardian, ward, and file box number. Arranged alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 12 x 12 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.

154-155. GUARDIANSHIP BOOKS, 1857-65. 3 vols., 1854-1870, missing.

Record of guardians, showing date of letters, guardian, wards, services, date of settlement, proceedings, page numbers of records, order book, complete record, and letters and bonds. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 14 x 10 x 2 1/2. C.C., attic storeroom.

156. GUARDIANSHIP RECORDS AND FILE BOXES, 1818-35. 6 vols.

(1-6).

Record of court proceedings in guardian-ship cases, showing date of letters, ward, age of ward, guardian, will, surety, fees, fees paid, and court proceedings. Indexed alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 12 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., Clerk's office.

157-159. GUARDIANS FEE BOOK, 1878-81. 1 vol.

Record of fees in guardianship cases, showing guardian, cases, showing guardian, heirs or wards, dates, and amount of fees. Indexed alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 13 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

For later records, see entry 147.

159. GUARDIANSHIP RECORD, 1880-81. 50 file boxes.

Record of guardian, showing date, estate, and oath. Arranged numerically. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

160. INHERITANCE OR TRANSFER RECORD, 1915-16. 1 vol.

Record of court findings in determining inheritance tax on estate, showing estate, value, date, and amount of tax. Indexed alphabetically by heirs. Handwritten on printed form. 275 pp. 13 x 12 x 2. C.C., Recorder's office.

161. INHERITANCE AND TRANSFER TAX RECORD, 1916-21. 1 vol.

Record of inheritance tax and taxable transfers, showing date, administrator, executor, or trustee, heirs, age, relationship, value of legacy, exemptions, tax rate, amount, discount, interest, and receipt. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. Continuation. 210 pp. 13 x 20 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

For later dates, see entry 160.

102. ORDER BOOK, 1815--. 44 vols. (1-37, A-C).

Record of orders made concerning physicians, administrators, constable appointments, road cutters, ferry licenses, probate wills, and dates.

Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. 1815-1816, handwritten; 1816--., typed. 600 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

103. ORDER DETERMINING VALUE OF ESTATE AND FINDING NO INHERITANCE TAX, 1910--. 1 vol.

Record of estates having no inheritance tax, showing name, relationship, exemption value, rate, and amount of tax. Arranged chronologically.

Printed. 125 pp. 9 x 14 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.

104. PARTITION RECORDS, 1872-1900. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of petition to court for partition of estates, showing petitioners, defendants, date, cause, and plots of the real estate involved. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten and typed.

600 pp. 13 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

105. PARTITION PAPERS, 1950-1916. 5 file boxes.

Petition papers in matters of partition of estates, showing date, petitioner, and estate. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 14. C.C., Recorder's office.

106. PARTITION, RECORD OF, 1813--. 33 papers.

Record of partitions of estates, showing heirs, relation, date, estate, and value. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

167. SALE BILL RECORD, 1800--. 4 vols. (3-3). V. 1-3, prior to 1800, missing.

Record of sale at auction by administrator or executor of estate, showing estate, date, executor or administrator, and an itemized list of articles sold. Indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten and printed. 575 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

168. WILLS, 1820--. 50 file boxes.

Records of decisions and description of will, showing date, and contents of will. Arranged alphabetically by estate. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

169. WILL RECORDMENT OF WILLS PRESENTED. WILLS, 1800 OF,

1810--. 12 vols. Numbering varied.

Records of last will of deceased persons, showing decedent, heirs, description and value of legacy, date, and witnesses. Indexed alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., 3 vols., Clerk's office; 1 vol., no., storeroom, 3rd floor; 3 vols., Recorder's office.

Election

170. ELECTION RECORD, 1800--. 1 vol.

Record of votes at general election, showing precinct, candidate, and number of votes. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 413 pp. 9 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

171. GENERAL ELECTION, RECORD OF, 1820--. 50 file boxes.

Records of election, showing candidate, election returns, date, county, date and name of office. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

172. NOTICE TO HOLD RESIDENCE, 1930-1934. 1 vol.

Record of notice of intention to become resident, showing date, name, and residence. Arranged alphabetically by applicant. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 14 x 8 x 1. C.C., attic storeroom.

173. VET. A. I. ELECTION, 1935. 60 file boxes.

Records of election returns, showing date, purpose of election, and all returns. Arranged chronologically. 6 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

Licenses and Registers

174. LIVER STOCK NOTICES, RECORD OF, 1934-35. 1 vol.

Record of notices of live stock gone astray, showing description, kind, color and markings. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 74 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. C.C., attic storeroom.

175. CONCEALED WEAPONS, PERMIT TO CARRY, 1925-34. 1 vol.

Record of people permitted to carry concealed weapons, showing name of applicant, date of permit, and age. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. C.C., co. storeroom, 3rd floor.

176. DENTIST LICENSES, RECORD OF, 1925-1932. 1 vol.

Record of dentists licenses issued by the Clerk of Circuit Court, showing name of dentist, date of issue, and place of graduation. Indexed alphabetically by dentist. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 10 x 14 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office

177. PHYSICIANS' LICENSES, 1887-97, 1897-99, 1907-11, 1 vol.

Record of licenses granted without drugs, showing name, residence, place of graduation, date of graduation, and date of issue. Indexed alphabetically by physician. Handwritten on printed form. 324 pp.

14 x 8 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

178. PHYSICIANS' LICENSE TO SELL, 1895-99, 1 vol.

Record of licenses issued to dealers permitting the sale of medicines at retail, showing name of dealer, authorization, place of business, and date of issue. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form.

100 pp. 6 x 12 x $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Clerk's office.

179. PHYSICIANS' AND ACCOUCHERS' REGISTER, 1891-1898, 1 vol.

Record of physicians and accouchers registered to practice their profession in the county, showing name of physician or accoucher, post office address, date of register and remarks. Arranged alphabetically.

Handwritten on printed form. 180 pp. 14 x 10 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.

180. LICENSES ISSUED, REGISTER OF, 1895-1912, 1 vol.

Record of all licenses issued, except marriage licenses, showing when issued, to whom issued, time, place, and for what purpose. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 150 pp. 11 x 16 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office, 3 rd. floor.

181. MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS, not dated. 50 file boxes.

Record of persons applying for marriage licenses, showing date, name, age, sex, occupation, birthplace, nationality, county, and state.

Arranged chronologically. 3 x 4 x 10. C.C., Clerk's office.

182. MARRIAGE RECORD, 1815--. 18 vols. 1-18.

Record of license for marriage issued, showing date, county, date, name of bride, groom, Clerk, and person performing ceremony. Indexed alphabetically by bride and groom. Handwritten on printed form. 575 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

183. NEGRO REGISTER, 1858-59. 1 vol.

Record of negroes pursuant to an act requiring the register of negro residents in Indiana prior to 1851, showing age, color, height, weight, place born, present residence, and name. Arranged alphabetically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 18 x 20 x 3. C.C., ns. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

184. TRAINED NURSES, REGISTER, OF, 1813-54. 1 vol.

Record of trained nurses registered, showing date of registration, name, residence, address, date of license, and certificate number. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 8 x 8 x 3/4. C.C., Clerk's office.

185. OFFICIAL REPORTS, JUDGES OF, 1861-62. 1 vol.

Record of complaints brought before the justice of the peace of Black township, showing plaintiff, defendant, cause of complaint, and judgment. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten. 450 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., ns. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

186. OPTICIAN LICENSE RECORD, 1860-61. 1 vol.

Record of certificates of registration to practice optometry, showing name, date, and name of President and Secretary of State Board of Optometry. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 14 x 10 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.

197. PARTNERSHIP RECORD, 1890-1917. 1 vol.

Record of persons forming partnership, showing name of partnership, business, date, and name of party or parties to the partnership. Indexed alphabetically by partners and firm. Handwritten on printed form.

201 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

198. PHARMACEUTICAL APPLICATION RECORD, 1890-1916. 1 vol.

Record of pharmacist applicant's record permits to sell intoxicating liquors and pure grain alcohol, showing name of pharmacist, date of permit, and name of Clerk. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form.

100 pp. 12 x 8 x 5/4. C.C., Clerk's office.

199. PATENT RIGHT RECORD, 1895-1917. 1 vol.

Record of patent rights secured on various inventions, showing date, name of inventor, address, and description of the invention. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 450 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

Record discontinued since 1917.

200. RETAILERS BOND AND LICENSE, 1890-1916. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of applications for license to retail merchandise, showing name, date, location and kind of business. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Handwritten on printed form. 450 pp. 16 x 11 x 2 1/2. C.C., no. storeroom, 5 rd. floor.

201. SIRE LICENSE, RECORD OF APPLICATION FOR, 1890-1916. 1 vol.

Record of license granted to encourage breeding of improved stock, showing name of owner, name of horse, description of sire, date of birth, breeding, and pedigree. Indexed alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 1/2. C.C., Clerk's office.

100. VETERINARY RECORD, 1901--. 1 vol.

Record of applications and certificates to practice veterinary medicine or surgery, showing name of applicant, address, school graduated from, years of practice, freeholder's affidavit, and veterinarian's certificate. Indexed alphabetically by veterinarians. Handwritten on printed form. 160 pp. 12 x 13 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.

Naturalization

101. INTENTIONS, RECORD OF, 1894-1904. 2 vols.

Record of filing of intentions of aliens to become naturalized citizens of the U.S., showing race, sex, nationality, name and age. Indexed alphabetically by alien. Handwritten. 450 pp. 10 x 12 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

Records since 1904 kept at Federal Building, Evansville, Indiana.

102. PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION, 1893-1917. 2 vols.

Record of petitions and affidavits for naturalization, showing race, birthplace, date, and how and when emigrated. Indexed alphabetically by alien. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 10 x 12 x 1 1/2. C.C., storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

Receipts and Disbursements

103. CASH BOOK, 1871-1912. 7 vols. 1893-91, missing.

Record of cash received by the Clerk from marriage licenses, births, burials, receipt of sales, wills, deeds, fishing and fowling licenses, costs on injunction suits, certificates and seals, fines, and other, showing balances each month. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 475 pp. 10 x 12 x 2 1/2. C.C., storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

187-189. DAILY BALANCE, 1815--. 15 vols. (1-15). Prior 1816, miscell.

Record of Clerk's daily balances and cash statements, showing date of balance, Clerk's cost due county, fees payable to agent, fish and game licenses, trust funds, and totals. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 10 x 8 x 1. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

190. SO RIAL, CLERK'S AND RECORDER'S, 1813-70. 5 vols.

Record of daily business transacted by Clerk and Recorder, showing description, amount and date. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 14 x 8 x 2. C.C., no. storeroom, 3 rd. floor.

191-200. RECEIPT BOOK, 1820-28. 1 vol.

Record of receipts given to parties paying fees to the Clerk, showing date, amount, and to whom paid. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 10 x 12 x 1½. C.C., Clerk's office.

COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY

The Board of County Commissioners is a statutory body consisting of three qualified electors, elected for three years on party tickets at the general elections. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1853; Burns 23-301 to 3157).

The Board of County Commissioners holds twelve monthly sessions. It makes orders respecting the property of Posey County, sells purchases, takes care of, and preserves the property. It allows all accounts chargeable against the county not otherwise provided for and directs the raising of sums necessary for expenses, audits accounts of all officers, provides election supplies, and maintains highways. It may abolish or change township or precinct boundary lines, establish libraries and hospitals, aid war veterans, pay bounties, offer rewards, and appoint deputy sheriffs, highway and drainage commissioners. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1853, 1855, 1877 Special Session, 1885, 1887, 1887, 1913, 1921, and 1923; Burns 26-301 to 26-303 /3013-31037).

Claims

201. ALLOWANCES, RECORD OF, 1841-1911. 9 vols.

(1-5, and 4 vols. not numbered).

Record of allowances made by Auditor, showing number, person to whom allowance is made, date, and amount. Arranged alphabetically by beneficiary. Handwritten. 250 pgs. 13 x 13 x 2. C.C., attic storage room.

202-203. CIRCUIT COURT ALLOWANCE, 1894--. 100 papers.
Record of allowances, showing date, name, amount, purpose, and name
of judge. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's
office.

204. CLAIMS AND ALLOWANCE RECORD, 1876--. 8 vols. (1-6, and
2 vols. not numbered). Prior to 1876, and after 1911, missing.
Record of allowances for claim of salaries and county expenses,
showing kinds and amounts of claims, dates, to whom, and for what
purpose paid. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten and typed.
250 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., 2 unnumbered vols., 1876-87, attic store-
room; v. 1-3, 1911--. Auditor's office.

205. COUNTY AGENT'S CLAIMS, 1912--. 20 pages.
Claims filed by County Agent for salary and office expenses, showing
purpose, amount, and date. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's
office.

For further information, see entry 35.

Proceedings and Reports

206. DOCKET, 1898-91. 5 vols.
Record of claims or petitions presented to Commissioners, showing
details of claims and disposition. Arranged chronologically. Hand-
written on printed form. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 3. C.C., Attic store-
room.

For further information, see entry 204.

207. OFFICIAL RECORDS, 1876-89. 1 vol.

Record of Auditor's reports to Commissioners, showing receipts and expenditures of county. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 16 x 12 x 2½. C.C., no. storeroom, 3rd floor.

208-209. (PROCEEDINGS), 1817-.. 47½ 11½ x 5½, 31 vols.

(A-P, 2-..).

Record of Commissioner's court, showing proceedings and disposition of various claims and petitions considered and acted upon. File books, and v. A-P, not indexed; v. 2-32, arranged alphabetically by subjects. Vols., 1817-1818, handwritten; 1818-.., typed. File books, 4 x 10 x 1½. vols., 375 pp. 13 x 12 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.

210. RECORDS, GENERAL INDEX TO, 1817-.. 1 vol.

General index, showing subject, and reference to book and page numbers of Commissioner's records. Arranged alphabetically by subject. Handwritten on printed form. 630 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.

Roads

211. GRAVEL ROAD REPAIRS, 1868-82. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of taxpayers' petitions for grading and construction of roads, showing petition dates, contractor's bids and affidavits, action of Commissioners, and description and location of work or repairs. Indexed alphabetically by petition. Handwritten on printed form. 375 pgs. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., v. 1-3, Auditor's office; v. 5, Auditor's office.

COUNCIL; COMMIT

The County Council is composed of seven members. Every County is divided into four councilmanic districts with one councilman elected by the electors of each district, and three others elected at large by the electors of the entire county (Acts 1896; Burns 28-508 [307]). They hold office for four years (Acts 1899; Burns 28-505 [307]). The Council elects its president (Acts 1899; Burns 28-507 [307]), the Auditor acts as clerk (Acts 1899; Burns 28-510 [307]), and the Sheriff executes the orders of the Council (Acts 1899; Burns 28-510 [307]).

The power of fixing the tax rate for county purposes, and for all purposes where the rate not fixed by law is required to be uniform throughout the county, is vested in the Council, as well as the power of making appropriations of money to be paid out of the county treasury (Acts 1896; Burns 28-515 [307]).

The Council passes on all budget estimates submitted by county officials (Acts 1899; Burns 28-530 [307]), as well as ordinary appropriations (Acts 1899, 1907, 1916; Burns 28-531 [307]).

The Council has the exclusive power to authorize the borrowing of money for the county and the issuing of bonds (Acts 1899, 1901, 1909; Burns 28-532 [307]). No sale or purchase by the county of real estate of the value of \$1,000 or more shall take place without authorization of the Council (Acts 1899; Burns 28-533 [307]).

213. RECORD, 1899---. 1 vol.

Record of proceedings on writs, writs and petitions, showing appropriations and amount of same. Indexed alphabetically by petitioner. 1899-1916, handwritten; 1919---, typed. 616 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. C.C., Auditor's Office.

FINANCE, BOARD OF

The Board of Posey County Commissioners constitutes the Board of Finance. The Auditor acts as secretary. The Board may sue and be sued in its name where necessary to accomplish the purpose intended by its creation.

The Board of Finance has charge of and controls the funds of Posey County (Acts 1897; Burns 61-63, [1899-1907]).

The Board of Finance selects the depository for Posey County funds. It approves the purchase of U. S. Government bonds or other interest-bearing obligations of the U. S. Government. It invites proposals to receive public funds on deposit, receives proposals, and creates and revokes depositories. (Acts 1897, 1899, 1931; Burns 61-619 to 61-613 [1899-1937]).

214. RECORD, 1897-35. 1 vol.

Record of meetings and proceedings, showing bills, and contracts of deposits of public funds by various banks. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 452 pp. 10 x 12 x 2. O.C., Auditor's office.

HEALTH COMMISSIONER

The Health Commissioner is appointed by the County Commissioners for a four-year term and is not restricted or limited as to the number of years he may serve (Code 1891, § 2317).

It is the duty of the Health Commissioner to study and check contagious diseases in the various communities, whenever and wherever possible, and advise and counsel various persons interested in the control of diseases. He is required to maintain records of births, deaths, marriages, and other important facts, and to hold regular examinations of pupils in the various schools of Posey County at regular intervals. (Acts 1891; Code 1891, § 2317).

The Health Commissioner has his official records in his private office and in the courthouse. The incumbent is Dr. Harbuck, who resides at 133 E. Second St., Ellettsville, Ind.

218. ⁸² BIRTHS, RECORD OF, 1874-1900. 10 vols. Prior to 1900, missing. Record of births, showing names of parents, date of birth, place of birth, name of child, name of parents, mother's maiden name, sex of child, color, address, age of parents, occupation, and number of previous children to both parents. Indexed alphabetically by father's name. 460 pp. 13 x 12 x 2. Dr. Harbuck's private office, 133 E. Second St., Ellettsville, Ind.

219. BIRTH REPORTS, 1874-1900. 450 papers. Record of births, showing names of parents, name of child, date of birth, and address. Arranged chronologically. U.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 85.

216. DISEASE REPORTS, 1874--. 185 papers.

Complete report of contagious diseases, showing date, name of person and disease, age, sex, address, and name of attending physician. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 15.

217. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES, 1880--. 2 vols. Prior to 1888-1888-1890, missing.

Record of persons having contagious diseases, showing age, race, sex, address, families, time of report, by whom reported, date recorded, by whom recorded, and date quarantine was established. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pgs. 16 x 12 x 2. Dr. Hardwick's office, 121 N. 2nd St., St. Vernon, Ind.

218. DEATHS, KNOWN, 1874--. 7 vols. Prior to 1888, missing. Records of deaths, showing place of death, name, address, sex, color, race, age, name of husband or wife, date of death, place of birth, parent's birthplace, informant's address, burial permit, attending physician, cause of death, place of burial or removal, doctor's or coroner's address, date of burial, undertaker, whether or not embalmed, and one volunteer's license number and address. Indexed alphabetically by deceased. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pgs. 16 x 12 x 2. Dr. Hardwick's private office, 121 N. 2nd St., St. Vernon, Ind.

219. DEATH REPORTS, 1874--. 150 papers.

Complete record of deceased persons, showing name, age, sex, date of death, address, date, length of illness, and name of doctor or coroner issuing death certificate. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 15.

220. MARRIAGES, RECORD OF, 1872-44. 11 vols. Prior to 1883, missing.

Record of marriages, showing name of bride and groom, age, color, occupation, birthplace, residence, names of parents, place of marriage, witnesses, and whether civil or church. Indexed alphabetically by bride and groom. Handwritten on printed forms. 300 pp. It is in 2, Dr. Hardwick's private office, 125 E. 2nd St., Mt. Vernon, Ind.

221. MARRIAGE REPORTS, 1871-80. 300 papers.
Record of people applying for marriage licenses, showing names of both parties, when issued, age, occupation, and address. Arranged chronologically. Co. Co., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 22.

HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR

The County highway system was, at one time, administered by the Superintendent of Highways who was appointed by the County Commissioners for a term of four years, and many records bear his name and title. His office was established in 1913 and abolished March 1, 1935, and the powers and duties given to the Surveyor (Acts 1913, 1935; Burns 36-1113). In order to provide for necessary supervision in counties warranting more attention than the Surveyor can give, the Board of County Commissioners of any County of the State of Indiana has the right to employ any person other than the Surveyor as supervisor of county highways, and such officer is called the Highway Supervisor (Acts 1933; Burns 36-1120). The Board of Commissioners of Posey County has appointed a separate Highway Supervisor.

The Highway Supervisor of Posey County has general supervision of the repair of all highways, bridges and culverts of the county. It is his duty to see that all mail routes are kept open. To must attend the annual road school at Purdue University. (Acts 1933; Burns 36-1101 to 36-1130).

333. HIGHWAY, 1914-19. 2 vols. (2 vols. numbered 1).

Record of expenditures for free gravel roads and repairs, showing names of employees, places from which purchases made, labor performed, and material. Arranged numerically. Handwritten on printed form. 355 pp. 10 x 14 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.S., 1 vol., 1914-19, Assessor's office; 1 vol., 1919, Auditor's office.

HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT

The Home Demonstration Agent is an optional officer, and was created by the Essex County Council upon receipt of a petition signed by not less than 100 taxpayers. Five of them were from each township in the county.

The Agent is authorized to develop further the county extension vocational education program for the improvement of agriculture, home economics, and rural life generally, in cooperation with the work carried on by the Federal Government in this field. (Act 1031, Laws 20-5027).

220. ECONOMICS, 1902-.. 1 folder.

Record of reports turned in on township home economics meetings, showing progress and work done by economics clubs. No index. 14 x 12 x 4. Agricultural Agents' supply room, Federal building.

RECORDER

The Recorder is a constitutional officer elected for a four-year term. He is nominated in the primary and elected in the regular election, and is not eligible to hold office for more than eight years in any twelve-year period (Ark. Const., Art. 3, Sec. 2; 1 Ark. Stat. 1692; Acts 1901; Burns 42-3801).

It is his duty to enter upon the books of his office at the time they are executed, all satisfactions, cancellations, and assignments, of whatever kind, attest the release of mortgages, leases, or other instruments entitled and required by law to be recorded in Forney County, to keep special records of cemetery deeds, cemetery associations, farm mortgages, and miscellaneous instruments. (1 Indian Arts Stat. 1892; Acts 1905, 1915 Special Session, 1905, 1913, 1916, 1920, 1927 and 1931; Burns 42-5255 ⁵/₁₉₂₀₋₁₉₂₇ ⁷/₇).

Deeds

224. CEMETERY DEED RECORD, 1900-.. 1 vol.

Record of deeds to cemetery lots, showing location of lots, cost, name of witnesses, and name of Recorder. Indexed alphabetically by grantor and grantee. Typed. 600 pgs. 13 x 18 1/2 x 3. C.G., Recorder's Office. For earlier records, see entry 225.

225-226. DEED RECORD, 1911-.. 70 vols. (1-52; 1-2).

Record of deeds to property, showing the convey and receipt of land and lots and plots of ground. Indexed alphabetically by grantor and grantee. Handwritten and typed. 600 pgs. 13 x 18 1/2 x 3. C.G., Recorder's Office.

226. DEEDS, ORIGINAL INSTRUMENTS TO, 1810-44. 26 vols. (2 vols., 1-12).

Record of general index to deed records, showing grantor and grantee, kind of deed, date of deed, amount of consideration, and number of lots and squares. Arranged alphabetically by grantee and grantor. Hand-written on printed form. 400 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

227. DEEDS, 1847-49. 3 vols. 10 boxes. (1-3, and 5 file boxes not numbered).

Record of original instruments of deeds recorded in the volumes of deed records. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 14. Recorder's office.

228. DEEDS, RECEIPTS FOR, 1840-50. 2 vols.

Record of receipts for deeds received for recording, showing owner, date of deed, and description of land. Arranged chronologically. Hand-written on printed form. 500 pp. 10 x 8 x 1 1/2. C.C., Recorder's office.

After 1850 deeds recorded in Entry Book.

229. Entry Book, 1852-44. 13 vols. (2, 4-12, and 3 vols. not numbered). Vol. 1, prior to 1852, missing.

Record of instruments entered for recording, showing kind of instrument, grantor, grantee, date of deed, and consideration. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 500 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. Vols., 13 vols., v. 1-12 and 3 unnumbered vols., 1852-44, Recorder's office; v. 1, 1852-7, sec., stenographer, Ord. 11, sec.

230. ORIGINAL DEEDS NOW, 1814-44. 1 vol.

Record of description of land, showing date of purchase, reference to number of land entered prior to its purchase. Handwritten on printed form. 365 pp. 10 x 12 x 1 1/2. C.C., Recorder's office.

251. SHERIFFS DEED RECORD, 1870-1900. 5 vols., (1-5).

Records of deeds made by order of the court to satisfy judgments.

Arranged alphabetically by grantor. 1870-1900, handwritten; 1901-1900, typed. 280 pp. 16 x 12 x 2¹/₂. C.C., Recorder's office.

252. TAX DEED RECORD, 1870-1900. 2 vols., (1-2).

Record of deeds made by order of the court to satisfy delinquent taxes two years previous. Indexed alphabetically by grantor. 1870-1900, handwritten; 1901-1900, typed. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 2¹/₂. C.C., Recorder's office.

Fees

253. FEE AND CASH BOOK, 1886-1900. 7 vols. (1-7). Prior to 1886, missing.

Records of cash collected, or fees charged, for recording various papers, showing from whom received, deeds, transcripts, mortgages, mechanics lien, and chattel mortgages. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

Maps and Plats

254. CEMETERY PLAT BOOK, 1880-85. 1 vol.

Records of plats and description of cemetery lots. Indexed alphabetically by cemetery. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 24 x 30 x 1¹/₂. C.C., Recorder's office.

255. MR. VERNON, EMBLEM, 1880. 1 map.

Political map. Drawn by Martin Smith, Mr. Vernon, Ind. Blueprint. Scale, 300 ft. to 1". 26" x 20". C.C., Recorder's office.

256. POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA, not dated. 1 map.

Physical map. Drawn by Martin Smith, Mt. Vernon, Colored. Mounted.
Scale, 2" to 1 mile. 6' x 4'. C.C., Recorder's office.

257. PLATS OF POSEY COUNTY, RECORD OF TOWN, 1813-51. 2 vols.

Record of plats of town, additions and enlargements, transcribed from
original 1 volume. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 16
x 24 in 1 1/2. C.C., Recorder's office.

258. PLAT SOUTH-TOWNSHIP AND RANGE, 1893-14. 1 vol.

Record of plats and field notes, showing description of territory
surveyed between 1893 and re-survey of 1914, showing U. S. survey of
Posey County and biographical sketches of the earlier settlers. No
index. Handwritten on printed form. 89 pp. 16 x 16 x 1. C.C.,
Recorder's office.

259. TOWNSHIP PLATS, RECORD OF, 1813-52. 3 vols.

Record of plats of Robb, Harris, Robinson, Smith, Bethel, and Center
townships, and plats of enlargements, additions, corrections and various
towns. Indexed alphabetically by enlargement, additions, town or
century. 1 vol. not indexed. Handwritten. 100 pp. 16 x 13 x 1 1/2
C.C., Recorder's office.

Mortgages

260. CHATEL MORTGAGE RECORD, 1876-.. 34 vols., (1-34).

Record of mortgages on personal belongings, showing date and name of
notary public. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor and mortgagee.
1876-1904, handwritten; 1904-.., typed. 375 pp. 16 x 13 x 3. C.C.,
Recorder's office.

241. CHAINED MORTGAGES, 1890--. 7 file boxes. (1-7).

Record of original copies of chained mortgages. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 14. C.C., Recorder's office.

242. MECHANICS LIENS RECORD, 1894-1911. 1 vol.

Record of liens filed on property for material and labor, showing itemized statement for which lien is filed. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 530 pp. 13 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

243. MECHANICS LIENS, 1894--. 6 file boxes. (1-6).

Record of original liens filed on property for material and labor, showing itemized statement for which lien is filed. Arranged chronologically. 10 x 4 x 14. C.C., Recorder's office.

244. MORTGAGES RECORD, 1899--. 35 vols. (A-1; A2-22; AC-35).

Record of mortgages on real estate, showing date of mortgage, amount of consideration, description of property, when recorded, when satisfied, and remarks. Indexed alphabetically by party, per and mortgagee. 1899-1904, handwritten; 1904--, typed. 650 pp. 13 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

245. MORTGAGES, GENERAL INDEX TO, 1899--. 35 vols., (2 sets, 1-15).

General index of mortgages, showing parties, kind of mortgage, liens and other instruments, date of mortgage, amount of consideration, description of property, kind of term, when recorded, when satisfied, and remarks. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor and mortgagee. Handwritten. 570 pp. 13 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

243. MORTGAGES, 1847--. 10 file boxes. (A-E, and 5 file boxes not numbered).

Record of original mortgage instruments, showing date of mortgage, amount of consideration, description of property, name of town when recorded, when satisfied, and remarks. Arranged chronologically.

10 x 4 x 12. C.C., Recorder's and Office.

247. SCHOOL FUND MORTGAGE RECORD, 1837--. 10 vols., (1-10).

Record of mortgages on real estate covering school fund loans, which amount is determined by appraisers and approved by the school fund board. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

Probate

248-9. INTESTATES, SECOND OF, 1836-60. 1 vol.

Record of contracts whereby parties agreed to bind out their child or children to be taken care of until age of 21, showing name of child, name of person to whom bound, age of child. Indexed alphabetically by both parties to agreement. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

249. MISCELLANEOUS RECORD, 1865--. 5 vols. (1-5).

Record of miscellaneous instruments, mechanics liens, tax sale contracts, and affidavits of different kinds. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor and mortgages. 1865-1904, handwritten; 1904-1906, typed. 300 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

251. LEASES, RECORD OF, 1864---. 4 vols., (1-4).

Record of leases on real, showing the term of lease, amount to be paid as rental for property which is leased, and leases on mineral rights. Indexed alphabetically by lessee or by lessee. 1864-1866, handwritten; 1866---, typed. pp. 21 x 12 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Recorder's office.

252. ATTORNEY RECORD POWER OF, 1865---. 2 vols., (1-2).

Record of the appointment of attorneys in fact, and for which purpose the power of attorney is given. Indexed alphabetically by attorney. 1865-1904, handwritten; 1904---, typed. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 8. C.C., Recorder's office.

253. SOLDIERS DISCHARGE RECORD, 1818---. 2 vols. (lead 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of certified copy of honorable discharges of soldiers from the army, navy, and marines, giving names, age and date of discharge. Vol. 1, indexed alphabetically by soldier; 2 unnumbered vol. not indexed. 584 pp. 10 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

254. STOCK MARKS, RECORD OF, 1815-74. 2 vols.

Record of marks and brands of stock owned by farmers, showing description of mark in every detail. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 308 pp. 12 x 8 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Recorder's office.

REVIEW, BOARD OF

Posey County has an annual board for the review of assessments and the equalization of the valuation of real and personal property. The board is composed of the Assessor, Treasurer, Auditor, and two freeholders of opposite political parties, appointed by the judge of the Circuit Court. The Assessor is the president and the Auditor is the secretary of the board. (Acts 1919, 31-1201 [14207]; 33-1203 [142037]).

From 1831 to 1919 the duties of reviewing and equalizing tax assessments were performed by a County Board of Equalization consisting of the County Commissioners and four freeholders appointed by the circuit judge. (Acts 1831, pp. 611). The law of 1919 superseded this act and renamed the body the Board of Review.

It is the duty of the board to make changes in the valuation of the property of the township or any taxing unit within the township, and to determine the rate per cent to be added or deducted in order to make an equitable equalization of taxes throughout the county. The board also has the power, in proper cases, to correct the valuation of any particular tract or lot. (Acts 1919, *ibid.*).

If the board shall find the aggregate assessment too high or too low or unequal, it may set aside the assessment of the whole county, or township, or taxing unit therein, and order a new assessment.

235. RECORD, 1891--. 1 vol.

Record of the notices and proceedings of the meetings, showing changes in the assessed valuation of property made by township assessors, and the amount increase or decrease. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten and typ. 433 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Auditor's office.

SCHOOLS, BOOKS, RECORDS

The Superintendent of Schools is elected by the township trustees for a four-year term. The candidate must have had five years' successful experience as a teacher in the public schools, and at the time of his election he must hold a superintendent's license. He must give bond for five thousand dollars. (Acts 1889, 1911, 1913, and 1927; Burns 28-702 (28-707)).

The Superintendent exercises general supervision of the schools of Posey County. He visits schools while they are in session, conducts teachers' institutes, and calls meetings of teachers of Posey County schools once each month in the school year. His jurisdiction is limited to unincorporated communities. He makes out the basis of apportionment of school revenues from the enumeration. Official record of other county officers shall be open to his inspection, and he shall bring suit against them for neglect of duty. He presides over the county Board of Education and receives applications for school aid relief. (Acts 1888; Burns 28-901 to 28-911).

Children

250. ATTENDANCE, 1892--. 1 file box.

Records of pupils attendance at school, showing name of pupil, days present, and days absent. Arranged alphabetically by pupil name. Handwritten on printed form. 12 x 14 x 20. C.C., Superintendent's Office.

257. CHIEFS FIELD BOOKS, 1881-.. 2 file boxes.

Records of examinations, showing name of child, parent or guardian, date, place of birth, race, and sex. Arranged alphabetically by child. 4 x 12 x 23. C.C., Superintendent's office.

258. COMMON SCHOOL GRADUATES, 1881-.. 1 file box.

Record of common school graduates, showing name, school, age, sex, race, school record, and grade. Arranged alphabetically by graduates. 5 x 7 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.

259. DUNBAR TOWN, 1915-.. 12 card trays, 2 file boxes.

Record, showing names, parents or guardian, date of birth, birthplace, name of school, and township. Arranged alphabetically by pupils' names. C.C., Superintendent's office.

260. GRADUATES OF COMMON SCHOOL, RECORD OF, 1885-1920. 3 vols.

Record of the high school graduates, showing name of pupil, school, age, sex, race, school record, and grade of last school year. Arranged alphabetically by graduates. Handwritten. 200 pp. 13 x 11 x 1. C.C., Superintendent's office.

261. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, 1881-.. 1 file box.

Record of high school graduates, showing name of graduate, subjects taken by semesters, grades, date of graduation, and credits at graduation. Arranged alphabetically by graduates. 7 x 9 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.

262. HIGH SCHOOL, WITHDRAWALS FROM, 1881-.. 1 file box.

Record of students withdrawing from high schools, showing name, date of entrance and withdrawal, and reason for same. Arranged alphabetically by student. 7 x 9 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.

203. TESTS AND TRANSCRIPTS, 1910--. 1 file box.

Record of tests of pupils, showing subjects taken, grade, semester, scholar's name, birth place, date, and name of address of parents.

12 x 14 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Proceedings and Reports

204. ANNUAL REPORTS, 1920--. 1 file box.

Records of annual statistical reports of the township trustee to the county Superintendent of Schools. Arranged chronologically. 14 x 14 x 20. C.C., Superintendent's annex.

205. CORRESPONDENCE, GENERAL, 1881--. 9 file boxes.

Record of general correspondence of the county Superintendent, relative to his official duties. Arranged alphabetically by correspondent.

12 x 14 x 3. C.C., Superintendent's office.

206. FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT, 1890--. 1 file box.

Record of financial and statistical conditions reported by Superintendent of Schools to State superintendent of public instructions. Arranged chronologically. 12 x 14 x 20. C.C., Superintendent's annex.

207. NURSE'S REPORT, 1884--. 1 bundle.

Summary of school nursing service, showing name of pupil, sex, color, date of birth, record of inspection, number of visits, and name of nurse. 5 x 7 x 6. C.C., Superintendent's annex.

208. SCHOOL EXAMINER'S RECORD, 1871-72. 1 vol.

Record of enumerations of teachers, showing date of license, term of license, and examination grade. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 10 x 12 x 1 1/2. C.C., attic storeroom.

269. STATE AID, 1933--. 2 file boxes.

Records of State aid, showing name of child, kind of aid, address, and amount for aid. Arranged by townships and cities. 12 x 14 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Teachers

270-1. TEACHERS, RECORD OF, 1873--. 2 file boxes; 7 vols., (1-5, and 2 vols., not numbered).

Record of teachers, showing name, address, kind of certificate, grade, license date, expiration, serial number, success, training, degree, and salary. Arranged alphabetically by teacher. Handwritten. File boxes, 5 x 7 x 13; vols., 250 pp., 16 x 11 x 1. C.C., Superintendent's annex.

271. TEACHERS, REPORTS OF, 1902--. 2 vols.

Record of teachers' reports to county Superintendent and attendance officer, showing school, teacher, pupil, age, sex, color, grade, presence and absence, cause, parents or guardian, and distance from school. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten; 600 pp. 14 x 12 x 4. C.C., Superintendent's office.

SHERIFF

The Sheriff is a constitutional officer chosen for a two-year period and is not eligible to hold office more than four years in any period of six years. He is a political officer, nominated by primary and elected in the regular election. He must give bond for five thousand dollars. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 40-2801 (1852)).

The Sheriff arrests without process all persons who, within his view, commit any crime or misdemeanor, delivers them before a justice of the peace of Posey County and holds them in his custody until the cause of such arrest has been investigated; pursues and commits to jail all felons; and executes all process directed to him by legal authority. It is his duty also to protect persons in danger from mobs and possible lynchings. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 40-2801 (1852-1853)).

Fees

OFF. CASH BOOK, SHERIFF'S, 1852-53. 2 vols. (2, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of cash transactions, showing payer or payee, check number, name of court, receipt number, check number, and nature of service. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 10 x 2 1/2. C.C., 2 vols. 1893-1913, no: storeroom, 3rd floor. 1914-1915, Sheriff's office.

274. FEES, REGISTER OF, 1932-.

Register of fees collected for serving summons, and writs, showing party, summoned, case and cause of service. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form, 230 pp. 13 x 12 x 2. C.C., the C.C.'s office.

Reports

275. SALE RECORD AND RECORD OF RETURN, 1914-., 2 vols. (1, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of each returns from public sale by Sheriff. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form, 150 pp. 14 x 10 x 2. C.C., Sheriff's office.

SURVEYOR

The Surveyor, or county engineer as he is sometimes known, is a constitutional officer, nominated by primary and elected in the general election for two years. He may be re-elected indefinitely. He must give bond in a sum fixed by the Board of County Commissioners. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; 1 Indiana Rev. Stat., 1852; Burns 40-3301/11987).

The Surveyor performs all duties required of him as civil engineer in the work of Posey County, including the preparation of plans and specifications for, and general supervision of all bridges, culverts, roads, ditches, drains, and levees. He establishes boundaries of farms and lots, and takes acknowledgments of mortgages and deeds for the conveyance of real estate. He removes after examination, the obstruction of any stream, and institutes foreclosure actions for sums due the county. (Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1875, 1883, 1901, 1911, 1911, 1925, and 1933; Burns 33-1120, 40-3303 to 40-3517 /11991-11979/, 40-3520 to 40-3522 /11972-11974/, and 40-3527 to 40-3529 /11980-11981/).

273-276. DITCH RECORD, 1887-.. 2 vols.

Record of ditches surveyed, showing descriptions of land benefited, owners of land, amount of benefits originally assessed, amount assessed by Surveyor, assessment, and posting. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 13 x 12 x 1/2. Memorial Colliseum, Surveyor's basement workshop, 3rd and Walnut sts., Ft. Vernon, Indiana.

270-279. FIELD NOTES AND PLAT OF RAIL RIGHTS, 1890-1895, 6 vols.

(Ab3, and 4 vols. not numbered).

Record of surveys and plats of land, showing names of owner, detailed description, location of corner stones and markers, trees, bearings, and distances. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 200 pp. 11 x 10 x 1 1/2. Memorial Collection, Surveyor's basement workroom, 3rd and Walnut sts., W. Vernon, Indiana.

TAX ADJUSTMENT, BOARD OF

The Board of Tax Adjustment of Posey County consists of one member of the County Council selected by the Council, and six members appointed by the judge of the Circuit Court. The appointees must have the following qualifications; one shall be a township trustee; one shall be a mayor or president of the board of trustees of an incorporated town; one shall be a member of the city board of education; and three shall be resident freeholders of the county at large, not holding any public office. Not more than four of the members of the board shall belong to the same political party. (Acts 1933, Burns 64-304).

It is the duty of the board to examine, and if it deems necessary, revise, change, or reduce, but not increase, any tax levy and any corresponding items of the budget on which the tax levies are based, and apportioned the total of all of the levies so that the total levy on property within any municipal corporation for which the property therein is taxable, shall not exceed the total rate as provided by law. In the event of an emergency, a vote of at least five members is required to fix the tax levy at a higher rate than the law provides. (Ibid.).

269. RECORD, 1934-35. 20 papers.

Record of sessions acting upon taxpayers petitions for tax reductions, showing owner, description of property, appraisal, amount and date. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Auditor's office.

For further information, see entry 35.

The Treasurer is a constitutional officer elected for a term of two years and is not eligible to serve more than four years in any period of six years. He is nominated in the primary and elected in the regular election. He is required to execute his official bond of not less than the amount of money which may come into his hands at any time during the term. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 1).

The Treasurer receives all money coming to Posey County and disburses the same on the proper orders. He keeps fee books and cash books and makes quarterly reports to the Auditor. At the expiration of his term of office he gives a sworn statement to the Auditor showing specifically the amount of fees collected, and deposits with the Auditor all orders redeemed. He makes a monthly statement to the Treasurer of State, collects property and poll taxes and State licence fees, sells all property found on any dead body remaining unclaimed for sixty days, and diverts to the State the proceeds from the sale of estates when the heirs are unknown. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 1; 1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1858; Burns 43-3103 to 43-3117 [1903-1905]).

201. CASH BOOK, 1881-1922. 19 vols. (2-12, and 3 vols. not numbered.

Record of tax moneys received, showing date, amount, tax duplicate number, total tax, current tax, delinquent tax, insolvent tax,

special assessments, advertising, and surplus tax. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 16 x 18 x 2. C.C., v. 2-12, attic; 3 unnumbered vols., co. storeroom 3rd floor.

232. CASH BOOK, MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS, 1911-24. 1 vol.

Record of all cash receipts other than taxes, showing dates, amount received, to what account charged. Arranged chronologically.

Handwritten on printed form. 230 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., Treasurer's office.

233. DAILY BALANCE OF CASH BY DEPOSITORS, 1903--.

21 vols. (1-5, 7 and 15 vols. not numbered).

Record of daily balances of cash in different depositories, showing money on hand, drawn out or deposited, and balance at close of day.

Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 325 pp.

16 x 12 x 2½. C.C., 7 vols., 1903-22, attic storeroom; 14 vols., 1923--, Treasurer's office.

234. MONTHLY BALANCE RECORD, 1920--. 2 vols.

Record of monthly balances, showing date, from whom received, total received, number of account, kind of funds, folio of disbursement ledger, disbursements to, disbursements from, and total disbursements. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form.

130 pp. 16 x 12 x 1½. C.C., Treasurer's office.

235. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF COUNTY OFFICER'S FUNDS,

1900-16. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements of county officer's funds, showing date, receipt number, name, office, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 16 x 12 x 3/4.

C.C., Treasurer's office.

283. RECEIPTS, REGISTER OF, 1842--. 10 vols.

Record of receipts, showing date, receipt number, payer, and name of account. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 16 x 14 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., 1842-1915, se. storeroom; 1915--, Treasurer's office.

287-289. ROAD RECEIPTS, REGISTER OF, 1864-1910. 3 vols.

Register of road receipts, showing township, payer, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 15 x 11 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., 2 vols., 1864-1909, se. storeroom, 3rd floor; 1 vol., 1910, Treasurer's office.

290. TAX COLLECTED, REGISTER OF, 1925--. 16 vols.

Record of tax collections, showing date, duplicate number, amount, delinquent taxes, insolvent taxes, advertising, and surplus tax. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 5. C.C., 2 vols, 1927-29, Assessor's office; 16 vols., 1930--, Treasurer's office.

291. TAX DUPLICATES, 1841--. 144 vols. (2 vols., 1-2, for each year).

Record of taxes due on real and personal property, showing taxpayers' names, description of real estate, value, and delinquencies. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 13 x 24 x 3. C.C., 73 vols., 1841-39, attic storeroom; 68 vols., 1900--, Treasurer's office.

292. DUPLICATES, ABSTRACT OF, 1881-1907. 6 vols. (1-6).

Synopsis of tax duplicates by townships, showing name, total tax due, penalty, receipt number, amount paid, Auditor's certificates, delinquency, and total paid. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 160 pp. 22 x 16 x 2. C.C., 3d. storeroom, 3rd floor.

293. INSOLVENT, DOUBTFUL AND NON-RESIDENT TAXPAYERS,

1894-1907. 3 vols. (1-3, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of non-resident, doubtful and insolvent taxpayers, showing name, date, amount due, and reasons for non-payment. Arranged alphabetically by delinquents. Handwritten on printed form. 325 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. C.C., Treasurer's office.

294. DELINQUENT RECORD, 1810-1907. 9 vols.

Record of delinquent taxes, showing owners, description of property, and amount due. Indexed alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., attic storeroom.

295. STREET ASSESSMENTS, REGISTER OF, 1906-19. 2 vols.

Register of street improvement assessments under the ten year Barrett plan, showing street name, date of acceptance, description of property, owner, amount of assessment, and amount of installments. Arranged alphabetically by property owners. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 18 x 16 x 1. C.C., Treasurer's office.

296. CASH BOOK OF DISBURSEMENT ON AUDITOR'S WARRANT, 1920-24.

2 vols. (4-5).

Record of Auditor's warrants signed and paid by Treasurer, showing date, warrant number, payee, depository, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 160 pp. 16 x 12 x 1 1/2. C.C., Treasurer's office.

297. ORDERS REDEEMED, REGISTER OF, 1898-1915. 4 vols.

(2-3, and 2 vols. not numbered).

Register of orders redeemed by Treasurer, showing date, order number, to whom issued, cause, and fund. Arranged numerically. Handwritten on printed form. 125 pp. 16 x 14 x 1. C.C., attic storeroom.

298. DISBURSEMENT, REGISTER OF, 1920-24. 2 vols. (1-2).

Register of disbursements, showing date, warrant number, amount, and purpose. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 320 pp. 16 x 25 x 2. C.C., Treasurer's office.

299. WARRANTS BY DEPOSITORIES, REGISTER OF, 1929-.

2 vols. (4-5).

Register of warrants, arranged by depositories, showing warrant number, funds, amount of warrant, date, and name of depository. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 320 pp. 16 x 14 x 1 1/2. C.C., Treasurer's office.

300. CHECKS AND WARRANTS, REGISTER OF, 1898-96. 1 vol.

Register of canceled checks and warrants, showing date, payee, purpose of payment, and Treasurer's signature. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. C.C., attic storeroom.

301. VOUCHERS, BANK BOOKS, CANCELED CHECKS, 1932--.

3 file boxes.

Record of various documents as vouchers, canceled checks, deposit slips, bank books, canceled warrants, and bank statements. Arranged chronologically. Condition fair. 12 x 8 x 24. C.C., Treasurer's office.

302. TAX RECEIPTS, 1909--. 486 vols.; 6 file boxes.

1924-26, missing.

Record of receipts for spring and fall tax installments on real and personal property. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. Vols., 200 pp. 12 x 14 x 1; file boxes, 6 x 8 x 24. C.C., 486 vols., 1909-23, attic storeroom; 6 file boxes, 1924--., Treasurer's office.

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